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"A MYTH."

TO COVER CONSPIRACY TO
DEFEAT.

COUNSEL'S ALLEGATION.

Also Makes Reference To Press
Reports.

"I put it to you that the Bank
you say you were about to start is
a myth and that it is a cloak
under which you intended to
cover this conspiracy to defeat
the Wing On Bank," said Mr.
F. C. Jenkin this morning in the
course of searching examination
of the first defendant in the Wing
On Bank case, as to the operation
of the account which he said he
opened with the Industrial and
Commercial Bank for the purpose
of starting a Bank.

Before commencing his cross-
examination of the witness, Mr.
Jenkin made reference to a para-
graph which had appeared in this
morning's newspapers in one in-
stance under the headline "Tam
Lay Bolts," stating that he, Mr.
Jenkin, had said at the after-
noon's hearing that the witness,
Tam Lay had, in fact, bolted. No
statement to that effect was made.
What he had stated was that
there had not been time to get
the witness for appearance at the
opening at 2-15 but that he had
been seen by solicitors on the other
side and other witnesses of the
Naval Yard, who had satisfied
themselves as to his bona fides.

His Lordship: The Press must
be more careful or I may have to
take notice. Such mistakes
should not be allowed to occur.
Mr. Jenkin then continued his
cross-examination of the first de-
fendant.

Witness was handed exhibits
"Emma" and "Nina."

Mr. Jenkin: Do you or do you
not say that the label on the
cover of "Emma" was ever to
your knowledge on the cover of
"Nina."

Witness: That I do not know.
Mr. Jenkin: I put it to you that
that label on "Emma" was on the
cover of exhibit "Nina" when it
was issued to you.

Witness: That also I do not
know.
Mr. Jenkin: I put it to you that
after you got the book "Nina,"
you or somebody on your behalf
removed the label and put it on
the book "Emma."

Witness: That is not so.

Mr. Jenkin: I put it to you
that you, or somebody connected
with you then, put the label on to
"Emma."

Witness: I did not do it, nor
anybody on my behalf.

Mr. Jenkin: I put it to you that
you knew when the label was put
on to "Emma" that "Emma" was
a forgery.

Counsel's Objection Upheld.

Mr. Zeitlyn objected to this
question and His Lordship upheld
the objection: It involved an im-
plication that he was aware of
something he had denied.

Mr. Jenkin: I put it to witness
that on May 3, 1923, he or some-
body on his behalf entered in the
book "Emma" an account with the
"Wing On Bank."

Witness: That is not so.

Mr. Jenkin: I put it to you that
you or someone on your behalf
then got \$27,000 from that book.

Witness: No, I deny it.

Mr. Jenkin: I put it to you that
you or someone on your be-
half presented the book the next
day and got \$23,000.

Witness: I did not, neither did
I ask anybody else to.

The Bank Account.

Mr. Jenkin then turned to the
question of the bank account
which first defendant opened with
the Industrial and Commercial
Bank in May, 1923.

Mr. Jenkin: Have you been
able to recollect overnight the
names in which you kept any
banking accounts in May, 1923?

Witness: I had a deposit in the
Tai Hang merchant business of
\$5,000 in my own name.

Mr. Jenkin: When did you de-
posit that money?

Witness: After I had collected
money for the Bank. I proposed
starting. I had also an account
in the Bank of East Asia in the
name of Lay Heung Tong and one
in the Industrial and Commercial
Bank in my own name.

Witness was asked to write the
characters for "Lay Heung Tong"
and did so, Mr. Jenkin keeping
them by him for reference.

Mr. Jenkin: Did you go with
Fok (a previous defendant, who
absconded) to Canton when you

BUNGALOW THEFT.

SHIPPING MANAGER'S
LOSS.

\$5,320 STOLEN.

Money and jewellery amounting
to \$5,320 have been stolen from
the residence of Mr. M. Takeuchi,
No. 18, Macdonnell Road.

Mr. Takeuchi, who is the man-
ager of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha,
reports that the money and
jewellery were left in a box, which
is also missing. The theft oc-
curred between 11 p.m. on Wed-
nesday and 6 o'clock the next
morning.

With the detection of the theft
a chair coolie in the house was
found to have disappeared. Sus-
picion rests on this man.

say you went to collect the money
for this Bank?

Witness: No, I met him there.

Mr. Jenkin: By arrangement?

Witness: Yes.

Mr. Jenkin: Fok was a partner
or shareholder in this venture of
yours?

Witness: Yes.

All Canton Money.

In answer to further questions,
witness said that when he was
minded to open a banking busi-
ness, Fok had not in fact any
shares. All the money in ques-
tion was raised in Canton. None
had been raised in Hongkong.

Mr. Jenkin: Whilst in Canton,
did you and Fok meet Lum, the
second defendant?

Witness: No, I did not meet
Lum until last year.

Mr. Jenkin: I put it to you that
you and Fok did meet Lum in
Canton and that an arrangement
was made that Lum should pro-
cure forged papers for the deposit
book you were to get from the
Wing On.

Witness: I deny that.

Mr. Jenkin: Will you then ex-
plain why there was this sudden
activity in early April to collect
this \$51,000 which on your own
showing was not used for months.

Witness: It was not "sudden."
I had organised the business and
I had to collect money.

Mr. Jenkin: Did you intend to
start the business at once on get-
ting the money?

Witness: Yes, as soon as I
could find premises.

Mr. Jenkin then cross-examined
witness as to what arrangements
he had made for starting the busi-
ness when he got back from Can-
ton with the money. Witness
stated in reply that he had paid
bargain money to certain pros-
pective foks and had an office
promised him over the Po Wa
business in Queen's Road Central.

Defendant's Account.

Mr. Jenkin: The account open-
ed with the Industrial and Com-
mercial Bank was solely for the
funds of the Bank for which you
collected money?

Witness: Yes.

Mr. Jenkin: You are sure of
that.

Witness: Yes.

Witness was then examined as
to certain items in that account,
and he then admitted that \$1,000
which was paid in was his own
personal money.

Mr. Jenkin: How is it, if you
had a personal account in this
bank as well as the account in the
name of the Bank you say you
were going to start, that you did
not use the deposit book of your
own personal account?

Witness replied that he thought
it might be easier for this amount
to go through the account of the
Bank as it might be easier when it
came to paying out.

Mr. Jenkin: I confess I cannot
understand you. And with re-
gard to an amount of \$200 which
on August 7 of that year you ob-
tained from the alleged Bank ac-
count on a bearer cheque endorsed
by you. What was that for?

Witness: It was for my
brother to take up country for
payment of family expenses.

Mr. Jenkin: Do you mean to
tell us as a man with considerable
business and banking experience
that the first thing you did with
money you say was deposited for
banking purposes by your part-
ners was to take out an amount
for family expenses?

Witness: That is so. The
money was for family expenses.

Mr. Jenkin: You concluded your
examination of Au Kin-lui yester-
day afternoon.

Mr. Jenkin: Did you go with
Fok (a previous defendant, who
absconded) to Canton when you

PEACE MISSION?

NEGOTIATIONS TO END THE
BOYCOTT.

REPORTED INTERVIEWS.

That he is believed to have
acted under orders by the Canton
Government in coming to Hong-
kong, in connection with the
negotiations to end the present
boycott, is stated by the local
vernacular papers regarding the
visit of Dr. Lam Tze-fung.

Dr. Lam is described in the
Chinese report as the Deputy
Superintendent of Customs (Can-
ton). Mr. Fu Ping-shung is
Superintendent of Customs and
Commissioner for Foreign
Affairs, and for a number of years
the same official has held these
two posts jointly. The conclusion
is that Dr. Lam holds the position
of Deputy Superintendent of
Customs but he also is acting for
Mr. Fu Ping-shung in other mat-
ters.

Broadly translated, the report
reads:—

"Dr. Lam arrived here from
Canton on Tuesday. He con-
versed with the Hon. Mr. R. H.
Kotewall who, of course, is one of
the Chinese representatives on the
Legislative Council and also
interviewed a certain high
official. Dr. Lam returned to
Canton yesterday." Then follows
the reference to the peace nego-
tiations.

The "China Mail" understands
that three other gentlemen also
came down with Dr. Lam. One of
these was a Mr. Lam.

Although Dr. Lam has returned
to Canton, the other three are
still, as far as is known, in the
Colony.

PICKETS DOINGS

PASSENGERS HELD TO
RANSOM?

OVER 800 CAPTURED.

Over eighty passengers are
alleged in the "Kung Sheung Yat
Po" to have fallen into the hands
of boycott pickets in Chinese ter-
ritory near Macao, for whom ran-
soms were demanded.

After a running duel in waters
near Chin Shan, a native boat was
captured. Several kinds of weapons
were used in the fight, it is stated,
including machine-guns and can-
non. The boat was ultimately
boarded by pickets who took all the
passengers to their depot. There,
the report continues, they were
made to communicate with their
relatives, making that sum of
money, varying from \$80 to \$120,
should be paid to bring about their
release.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS.

WEATHER CONDITIONS FOR
TO-MORROW.

The absence of rain during the
24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day
and other indications point to
good weather attending to-
morrow's sporting fixtures. The
forecast until noon time reads:—
E. winds, moderate; cloudy.

Issued at 11.30 a.m. to-day, the
Observatory report states that
pressure has increased consider-
ably from the Loochoos to S.W.
Japan and slightly from Formosa
to the Philippines. It is nearly
stationary elsewhere. The map
is dominated by an anticyclone
central over S.W. Japan.

A Total Denial.

Replying to Mr. Jenkin, Au
Kin-lui said that he did not know
that both deposit books were sent
to Messrs. Hastings, Denny, and
Bowie on the afternoon of
August 18. He did not suggest
that anyone in the Wing On Com-
pany had taken off the label from
one book, and affixed it to the
other, but when he had heard of
it, it came as a great surprise to
him.

Mr. Jenkin, questioning Mr.
Au, suggested that the books were
sent to Messrs. Hastings, Denny, and
Bowie on the afternoon of August
18, and that the label was taken
off one book and affixed to the
other.

SMALL BOYS' CLUB.

REFORMATORY FOR STREET
URCHINS.

POLICE EXPERIMENT.

With a number of Clubs in the
place, why not a Hongkong Street
Urchins' Club?

The idea has been furnished by
the receipt of a report from the
Ceylon Police, who have instituted
such a movement in Colombo with
satisfactory results. "As an experi-
ment a Club on similar lines has
been started by the Hongkong
Police and, barely two weeks old,
it promises to be a permanent one
in making useful citizens of the
waifs and strays in the Colony.

Well might the boys say "We are
Seven", for that is the present mem-
bership of the Club. Details
gathered show that their ages vary
from 14 to 16 years, while residence
in Hongkong since leaving the
various Chinese districts from
which they had come from one to
seven years. All but one had who
states he has a father in the coun-
try are without parents. During
this period they have lived in the
streets and carried on a miserable
existence on the proceeds of pilfer-
ing and hawking.

Clad in navy blue suits provided
by the Poor Box funds in place of
the rags in which they were found
in the streets, the boys attract
considerable attention while engag-
ed in their new occupation of sell-
ing Chinese newspapers. With the
confidence born of their new
environment, they are happy and
keen on their work.

At present the boys are provided
with a room above the Central
Magistracy. They are supplied
with soap and towels and one of
the stipulations is that they have
a bath every day. Facilities are
given to take part in games while
otherwise free from their work of
selling newspapers in the mornings
and afternoons. Already a foot-
ball has been supplied and the boys
often engage in a little game on
the compound. Arrangements have
also been made with a school at
Cochrane Street to teach them
English and Chinese during their
leisure hours at moderate fees to
be borne by the boys themselves.

Although the wages earned at
present make the boys self-support-
ing, it is hoped to find more re-
munerative employment for them
later. They provide their own
meals and pay 25 cents each a
month as rent, this sum being placed
to a fund for their benefit. Two
have already started to save money,
their savings bank books showing
sums of \$1 and 40 cents.

Membership is secured on ex-
pressing a desire to join, but can-
didates must be physically fit and
prove that they are bona fide waifs
or strays.

Sergeant Nalloth, in charge of
the hawkers department, presides
over the Club and when more roomy
quarters have been secured for the
members, they will be looked after
by a responsible officer who would
reside in the place.

The main idea is to eliminate
petty crime among juveniles and
this seems to be gradually achieved
by the formation of the Club.

FINAL DIVIDEND.

UNION INSURANCE OF
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ings per share and a Bonus Divi-
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for account of the year 1924.

They will further recommend an
Interim Dividend of Twenty-four
Shillings per share for account of
the year 1925, and a Bonus of 20
per cent on Contributory Pre-
mium.

FOOTBALL.

The following team has been
selected to play for the Kowloon
Football Club in a friendly match
against the Kowloon Cricket Club
on the K.F.C. ground, on Satur-
day, May 1, Kicks off 4.30 p.m.
W. Avery; D. Guez; T. L. Knight;
W. Hedges; J. Sims; G. Duncan; T.
Reed; P. Wheeler; M. McKelvie; A.
Sperry; and S. G. Hayes.

Three matches available, are
expected to have been completely
booked up by the last night at
Kowloon Club.

COURT NEWS.

AN ASSORTED LIST OF
CASES.

CONSTABLE JAILED.

Several cases engaged the at-
tention of the Kowloon Magis-
trate this morning, the majority
of them being prosecutions under
the muzzling law which in the
case of several Chinese were met
by fines of \$2.

Mr. A. Botelho was summoned
for having two dogs without per-
mits, one of the animals being
found in the street unmuzzled.
He was fined \$10.

For similar offences a Chinese
from Leichikok was fined \$10.

A richa coolie was fined \$5 for
dangerous driving. The com-
plainant was Mr. Megarry, of the
S.C.A., who said that the vehicle
brushed into him, tearing his
coat at the shoulder, and the
coolie then jeered at him.

Mr. R. E. Nicholls, of the China
Light and Power Company, com-
plained a coolie with theft of a
quantity of copper wire. The
man was sentenced to fourteen
days' hard labour.

Central Cases.

Cruelty to a bullfinch was alleg-
ed against a Chinese youth by a
European Sergeant who, in his
evidence, at the Central Magis-
trate's court this morning stated that
he saw the accused making the bird
go round in circles to the delight
of a crowd round him. The bird
and a wing and a leg wrenched off.
Fine \$20.

A Shantung constable was
charged at the Magistracy yester-
day with misconduct. He was
caught seated in an opium den
at Peel Street at a time when he
should have been on duty in the
street. His excuse that he went
there to have a cup of tea did not
satisfy the Magistrate, as Captain
Bloxham produced a bad record.
He was sent to prison for three
months with hard labour.

SPANISH ARMEN.

There has been no further news
of the Spanish armen, last re-
ported at Hanol.

The local French Consulate
(which is also in charge of Span-
ish interests) received a telegram
on April 28 which stated that the
armen would go from Saigon to
Hanol, thence to Canton, and to
Luzon Island (Manila).

This means that the machine
will not go to Macao, as has been
stated.

CAPTAIN FINED.

Captain J. Nicholl (master of the
s.s. "Kasara") pleaded guilty, at
the Marine Court this morning, to
a charge of anchoring in the har-
bour without regulation lights last
night. He was fined \$15 (or two
weeks' hard labour). The case was
taken this morning (instead of to-
morrow) at his special request.

The "Kasara" is owned by Chin-
ese, and is on the Hongkong-
Touane trade.

A search by revenue officers on
the s.s. "Holson" resulted in the
seizure of a revolver and 800
rounds of ammunition. No arrests
have been made.

Yesterday's return of notifiable
disease comprised one case of
smallpox (Chinese, imported)
and one of enteric fever (Chin-
ese) both from the Victoria (city)
district.

The Kowloon-Canton Railway
notifies in the vernacular papers
that passenger fares, as from Mon-
day, May 3, on the trains between
Kowloon (Tsim-sha-tui) and
Lung, connecting with the train
from Canton will be: 1st class \$2;
2nd class \$2; 3rd class \$1.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar
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NEW PUBLICATION

WU AND CHANG.

JAPANESE COMMENT ON CHINA.

Tokyo, April 26.
Commenting on the latest political situation in China, the Tokyo "Nichi Nichi," in its editorial to-day, states:—

"While it may not be difficult for the situation to be saved for the time being through certain arrangements between the Fengtien and Chihli factions, the maintenance of these arrangements is more than problematical. Marshal Wu Peifu, who has succeeded in leading the political situation in Peking favourably, is expected to take upon himself greater part of responsibility for the future security of the situation, but if Marshal Chang Tso-lin continues to his promise that the matter of maintaining the situation in the capital be left in the hands of Marshal Wu Peifu, should interfere with politics within Shanhaikwan, it may be certain that the responsibility would be shifted on his own shoulder.

"The victory that has been scored by Marshal Chang has once again caused him to stand at the parting of the ways of his fate. Let us wait and see how Marshal Chang will seek his fortune to cope with the situation."—Eastern News Agency.

FIRST OFFENDERS.

ILL-EFFECTS OF PRISON.

Comment on the passing of sentences on first offenders was made by Sir Robert Wallace, K.C., at the London Sessions, when he had before him Margaret Roberts, 64, a dressmaker, who pleaded guilty to stealing a suitcase and other articles, the property of the London and North-Eastern Railway Company. Sir Robert had previously dealt with a case in which a woman had received a short term of imprisonment on the occasion of her first conviction many years ago.

Detective-sergeant Roberts proved nine previous convictions against Roberts, and added that she said she had no friends in the world.

Prisoner, who admitted the extra offences, expressed her willingness to go into a home. "This case," said Sir Robert, "is only an illustration of what I have often spoken about—inding a person to prison on the first offence without being helped in any way or given any chance. I do not know a worse system in the world. It inevitably leads to the result that these two last cases had brought before the Court. In both cases the accused have been sent to prison in early life without any help or any effort to avoid the consequences." Roberts, he added, would be received at the home, where she could have kind friends to look after and help her. He would simply bind her over to come up for judgment, but she must remain at the home until she notified the Court of any other provision that could be made for her.

LABOUR MEDAL.

HORDES OF PETITIONS IN SPAIN.

Hordes of people have sent in petitions to the Spanish Ministry of Labour asking for the award of the Medal of Labour, which recently was conferred on Rada, famous mechanic of the hydroplane "Plus Ultra," for his brilliant performance in crossing the Atlantic from Spain to Argentina. Among the applicants are at least one bank manager, various clergymen, numerous civil servants and even policemen.

All of these would be wearers of the medal of honour for labour sent in detailed records of their activities, most of them evidencing the fact that they spend more effort in keeping on the pay-rolls of their respective jobs than they do in attending to the business they should transact.

The bank manager, for instance, details his life of effort. He says he started in a Jesuit school, where he remained six years subject to the rigorous discipline of the establishment. Thence he went to a military academy where also the regime was very severe. He evidently failed to pass his examinations for the military profession, for he next found himself working as a clerk in a country bank, in which he eventually became cashier and is still holding down his seat there twenty years after he was appointed. During this period he says he has undergone many temptations and his resistance to them he puts forward as his greatest claim to the medal.

COOK'S LIBEL ACTION.

INTERESTING KARACHI SUIT.

An interesting point in respect of the law of libel was decided in the Judicial Commissioner's Court, Karachi, in which a cook sued his former master for defamation, writes the Karachi correspondent of the "Times of India." Thomas Travas was for some time in the service of Mr. George Sim, employed in the Chartered Bank of India, Karachi Branch, and with the master there were also two other Europeans living. It was the practice for Travas to incur expenditure on bazaar articles required for the chummary and subsequently put in a bill for payment. Seven months passed after Travas's entry into service, and one day he put in a bill for Rs. 1-2 due to him on the previous day's purchases. The master, it was stated, declined to meet it. Travas, therefore, failed to prepare dinner for the Sahebs that night. They got annoyed at the cook's behaviour and dismissed him.

The next day Travas went to Mr. Sim at the Bank and asked for the return of ten "chits" he had deposited with him while joining service, the "chits" being testimonials given to him by his



MARY LOUISE SEAS.

Mary Louise Seas, the "Cinderella" girl, whose adoption by E. W. Browning, a New York millionaire, was annulled, was to have married Herbert W. Singleton, one of a wealthy Rochester family.

former employers. Mr. Sim, it is said, after consulting his friends, wrote an endorsement on the back of every one of the "chits" that the bearer had been in their service for seven months, had been dismissed as he demanded Rs. 1-2 on "book account," and "he is a good cook."

Travas did not understand the meaning of the endorsement. In the course of a search for fresh employment he went to two local European hotels and at last to a gentleman by name Mr. Stubbs, who after a perusal of the endorsement told Travas not to show the "chits" to prospective employers as the endorsement would do him no good whatsoever. Travas went to a lawyer, who advised him to file a criminal suit for defamation against Mr. Sim, which was duly launched in the court of the city magistrate of Karachi.

After the case was heard, the Magistrate fined Mr. Sim Rs. 100, holding that in writing what he had done at the back of the "chits" he made libellous allegations and the plea of good faith could not be sustained. The fine when paid was ordered to be awarded as compensation to the complainant.

On appeal, the Judicial Commissioner, Mr. C. K. Kincaid held that the endorsement had been made in good faith, and after a discussion of the law bearing on the subject came to the conclusion that for the publication of the endorsement which constituted the essence of the libel, Travas had to thank himself, and the appellant, Mr. Sim, not being responsible for the publication, did not commit any crime in the eyes of the law.

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JAPAN'S GIFT.

SCIENTIFIC MUSEUM FOR KOREANS.

A scientific museum to serve the people of Korea, in a most practical way by demonstrating and explaining to them modern machinery and utensils is to be established in Seoul with a gift of ¥170,000 from the Imperial Family of Japan.

The Government General of Korea is to remove to its new home in the Kyonpuk Palace grounds this spring. The building which it now occupies, a large wooden structure, is to be given over to the museum. One half of the building will be torn down and the ground it occupies added to the gardens of the Chosen Shrine, while the remaining half will be made into the museum.

Gift As Foundation.

The Imperial gift of ¥170,000 was to promote social welfare and educational work in Korea. It has been decided to use it as a foundation for the museum.

"The Education Bureau is bent," says the Seoul "Press," "upon making the proposed museum an instrument for the propagation of elementary scientific knowledge among the masses instead of making it an historical or archaeological one."

"It aspires to give a stimulus to improvement in the every-day life of the peninsula by inculcating practical science in the people by means of the new museum, and is actually preparing for the collection of up-to-date machinery and utensils to be installed in it."

Will Appoint Experts.

"According to the present plan a number of experts will be appointed to the museum, and will always be found on hand to explain to visitors how the machinery or utensils can be employed to best advantage."

"Lectures will also be given occasionally in a hall reserved for that purpose, and every conceivable means will be taken to diffuse scientific knowledge of general utility."

PHILIPPINES BILLET.

RESIGNATION OF RESIDENT COMMISSIONER.

Washington, April 19. (Reuters.) Philippine resident commissioner, informed The "Associated Press" to-day he would resign his seat in congress at the end of the present session, and would leave for the Philippines probably about May 15. He said his determination to resign was due to ill health and that he intended to go home to grow rice.—"Associated Press."

With the resignation of Resident Commissioner Cabaldon, a knotty problem has arisen, at least for the Democrats, according to the consensus of opinion in political circles on April 20.

In the covenant of the coalition, it is provided that the two parties will have an equal in congress and that as soon as a vacancy occurs, a Democrat will be elected resident commissioner.

The rivalry in the Democratic ranks for the post of Mr. Cabaldon was on April 20 reported keen, says the "Philippines Herald." Among the names prominently mentioned are those of Representative Recto from Batangas and Senator Tirona from the fourth senatorial district. Representative Recto is generally conceded as having the best chance of being elected.

FATHER'S RUSH.

SAVES FAMILY FROM THE FLAMES.

A mother and her five children very nearly came being burned to death when their house at 437, sitio Paltok, Santa Mesa, in which they were sleeping caught fire accidentally at 2.30 p.m. on March 26. The house and three other nipa houses in the neighbourhood, valued at about P2,000, were razed to the ground.

The owner of the house where the fire started, Marcelo Salurias, a carpenter by occupation, rushed to the scene of the conflagration in time to wake up his wife and five sons in order to get them out of the house which was already half covered with flames. The people inside the house who were sleeping felt the heat, but paid no attention to it, thinking that it was due to the hot weather.

The Santa Mesa and Santa Cruz fire stations responded to the alarms. The fire had gained considerable headway before the first engine arrived.

No one knew how the fire started, as all the members of the family except the father were asleep during the conflagration. The father, who was at the time of the fire working in a house near by, knew nothing as to the origin of the fire, says the "Philippines Herald."

BRITAIN AND SIAM.

NEW GENERAL & COMMERCIAL TREATIES.

The ratifications of two new Treaties between Great Britain and Siam, the one General and the other Commercial, were exchanged in London by Sir Auston Chamberlain, on behalf of Great Britain, and H. E. Phya Pradha Karawongs, representing Siam, on March 31, reports the "Bangkok Daily Mail."

The General Treaty provides for national autonomy of Customs duties between the contracting powers, subject to equality of treatment. With regard to justice, the most favoured nation treatment must be extended. Religious and charitable bodies may continue their work and provide education but must obey the laws of the land, and war vessels of the parties may freely visit each other's ports.

Article No. 5 of this treaty abrogates the treaties and protocols of 1826, 1827, 1856, 1883, 1890 and 1899 but the existing boundary conditions of Siam and British territories are to remain unchanged. Article No. 6 of the Treaty deals with the registration of British subjects and Article No. 10 states that the new treaties will come into force from the date of ratification, which will take place in London as soon as possible.

A lengthy Annex to the General Treaty states that from the promulgation and putting into force of all the Siamese Codes, viz: the Penal, Civil and Commercial Codes, Code of Procedure and Law of the Organisation of Courts, and for a period of five years thereafter, the British Consular authorities will have the right of evocation in cases in which British subjects are either the plaintiffs or the defendants, except in cases before the Dika Court.

Should His Britannic Majesty perceive any objection to the Codes, the Siamese Government will endeavour to take such objection into account.

Commercial Treaty.

The new Commercial Treaty between Great Britain and Siam is a lengthy document consisting of 37 Articles, and it is impossible to adequately summarise it within the time and space at our disposal. In general, it agrees to freedom of trade between British subjects and those of Siam, the most favourable treatment being applicable on either side. For goods exported there must be only one impost, whether internal, transit or export duty be charged. For the first ten years an import duty of 5 per cent. ad valorem, may be charged upon cotton goods, iron, or steel, iron or steel manufactured goods or machinery. There are special provisions as to trade with India and the new treaty is to be in force for a period of ten years, at the expiration of which either of the signatory powers desiring to terminate it must give twelve months' notice to that effect.

CHINESE CANNIBAL.

REPORTED DEATH IN HONAN.

The Weihsueifu (Honon) correspondent of the "Peking and Tientsin Times" writes on April 3:—

It is now about a month since the Kuominchun troops retired, or retreated, from here and conditions are now fairly peaceful for China. There were several extremely anxious days for the people in the city and district before the Kuominchun left. There was comparatively little looting, but the people consider it a miracle that they were saved.

No doubt they were saved by a combination of circumstances, which worked against the troops in this particular case. The general had been having trouble with the Red Spear Society, who attacked the city at the end of January. They threatened to attack again in greater numbers, and when the General heard of it he said that if they did attack, he would get his revenge by killing every man, woman and child in the city. From previous experiences with this general, including one time when he told at a feast about how good human flesh tasted, we were able to believe that he meant what he said. We venture to think that few will be sorry to hear of the reported death of this modern cannibal.

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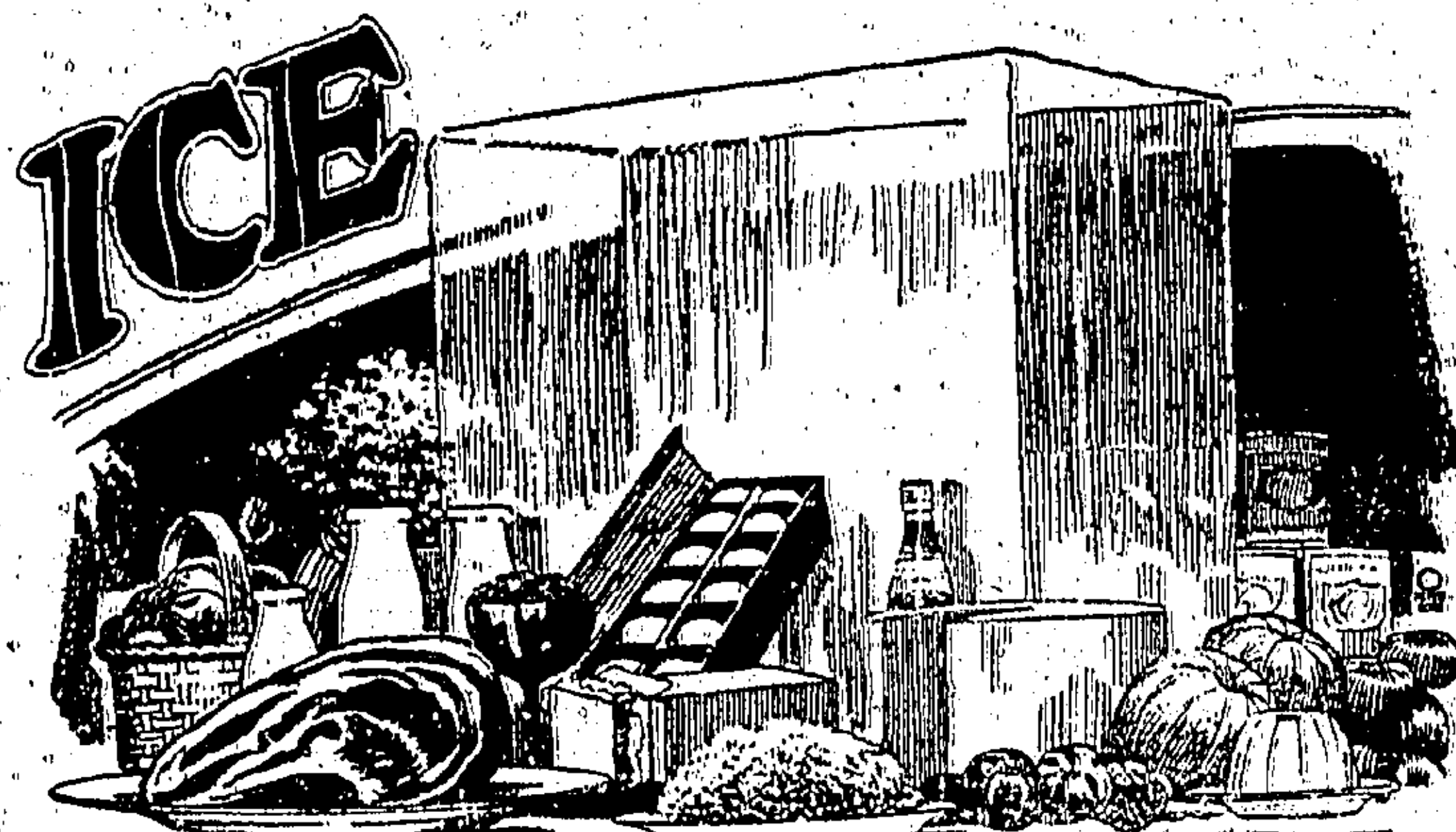
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Colombo, Durban & Capetown. Thursday, 20th May.

M.S. LA PLATA MARU (From Singapore) Friday, 14th May.

BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.

BORNEO MARU (From Singapore) Tuesday, 4th May.

HEIMEI MARU (From Singapore) Thursday, 20th May.

DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-EL-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR &
MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.

CHICAGO MARU (From Singapore) Wednesday, 12th May.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.

SANUKI MARU (From Singapore) Tuesday, 26th May.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Singapore and Japan
Ports.

ARIZONA MARU (From Shanghai) Thursday, 6th May.

NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.

HAGUE MARU (From Keelung) Monday, 10th May.

JAPAN PORTS.

CELEBES MARU (From Singapore) Friday, 14th May.

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HONGKONG, APRIL 30, 1926, 10.30 A.M.

Names	Hongkong Stock Exchange	Hongkong Shareholders' Association	Share & Real Estate
P.T. on London	2 1/2 3/4	2 1/2 3/4	2 1/2 3/4
T.T. on Shanghai	76 1/2	76 1/2	nom.
Hongkong Bank	109 1/2	109 1/2	\$110 b.
do. London	125 n.	125 n.	\$125 n.
Chartered Bank	£20	£20	—
Mercantile Bank, A. & C.	£30 1/2	£30 1/2	—
do.	£13 1/2	£13 1/2	—
P. & O. Bank	60 1/2	60 1/2	—
Bank of East Asia	\$85 n.	\$85 n.	\$5 n.
Marine Insurance	635 b.	635 b.	\$625 b.
Canton Insurance	190 b.	190 b.	190 b.
China Underwriters	145 n.	145 n.	—
North China Insurance	285 b.	285 b.	\$285 b.
Union Insurance	37 1/2	37 1/2	—
Yantai Insurance	—	—	—
Fire Insurance	—	—	—
China Fire Insurance	170 b.	170 b.	—
H.K. Fire Insurance	550 b.	550 b.	550 b.
Shipping	—	—	—
Douglases	28 n.	28 n.	28 n.
Hongkong Steamboats	26 s.	26 s.	26 s.
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	24 s.	24 s.	24 s.
Indo-China (Pref.)	38 n.	38 n.	38 n.
do. (Def.) Ltd	46 n.	46 n.	46 n.
do. () Hk	—	—	—
Oriental Navigation	250 n.	250 n.	250 n.
Shell Transport	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2
Star Ferries	\$61 b.	\$61 b.	\$61 b.
Water-Boats	15 n.	15 n.	15 n.
Refineries	—	—	—
China Sugars	26 n.	26 n.	26 n.
Zalabon Sugars	34 b.	34 b.	34 b.
Mining	—	—	—
Langkats	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2
Kallan Mining Ad.	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2
Langkats (Combined)	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
do. (Single)	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
Shanghai Exploration	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2
Shanghai Loan	7 n.	7 n.	7 n.
Ranba	55 n.	55 n.	55 n.
French Mines	65 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2
Oral Caspians	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2
Docks, Wharves Godowns, &c.	—	—	—
K. & W. Wharves	\$128 b.	\$128 b.	\$128 b.
K. & W. Docks	60 s.	60 s.	60 s.
Longkewas	1178 b. 185 s.	1178 b. 185 s.	1178 b. 185 s.
New Engineering	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2
Shanghai Docks	107 b.	107 b.	107 b.
Land, Hotels & Bldgs.	—	—	—
K. & S. Hotels (old)	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2
do. (new)	—	—	—
Hongkong Lands	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2
K. Realty	6 n.	6 n.	6 n.
K. Territories	5 n.	5 n.	5 n.
Imperial Estates	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2
Princes Building	100 n.	100 n.	100 n.
Rural Lands	7 n.	7 n.	7 n.
Cotton Mills	—	—	—
Ewo Cottons	10.35 b. & sa.	10.35 b.	10.35 b.
Oriental	3 b.	3 b.	3 b.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	52 b.	52 b.	52 b.
do. (new)	27 b.	27 b.	27 b.
Miscellaneous	—	—	—
Antoni Ices	\$7 1/2	\$7 1/2	\$7 1/2
ements (comb.)	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2
do. (old)	13 b.	13 b.	13 b.
do. (new)	3 n.	3 n.	3 n.
China Buses	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
China Lights (comb.)	20 n.	20 n.	20 n.
do. (old)	15 n.	15 n.	15 n.
do. (new)	10 n.	10 n.	10 n.
China Prov. (comb.)	—	—	—
do. (old)	5.80 b. 5 1/2 sa.	5.80 b. 5 1/2 sa.	5.80 b. 5 1/2 sa.
do. (new)	15 65 5 1/2 sa.	15 65 5 1/2 sa.	15 65 5 1/2 sa.
Dairy Farms	10 n.	10 n.	10 n.
Der A Wing (full pd.)	10 n.	10 n.	10 n.
do. (part pd.)	10 n.	10 n.	10 n.
Hongkong Amusements	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
H.K. Constructions	24 n.	24 n.	24 n.
Hongkong Electric	66 1/2 b. 67 sa.	66 1/2 b. 67 sa.	66 1/2 b. 67 sa.
H.K. Developments	25 n.	25 n.	25 n.
H.K. Ropes (comb.)	30 s.	30 s.	30 s.
do. (old)	10 n.	10 n.	10 n.
do. (new)	10 n.	10 n.	10 n.
Hongkong Tramways	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
Lane, Crawford	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2
Macao Electric	40 n.	40 n.	40 n.
Jackintosh	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
Nanyang Tobacco	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2
Shanghai Trams (old)	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
do. (new)	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
Sinceres	11 n.	11 n.	11 n.
Singapore Trams	8 s.	8 s.	8 s.
Exide	4 s.	4 s.	4 s.
United Asbestos	20 b.	20 b.	20 b.
do. (Founders)	—	—	—
do. (Ordinary)	—	—	—
Watsons (old)	12 b.	12 b.	12 b.
do. (new)	13 b.	13 b.	13 b.
Wm. Powells	10 n.	10 n.	10 n.
H.K. Telephone	—	—	—

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MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

The P. & O. "Khyber" left

Singapore for this port on April 28

at 2 p.m. with the outwards English

Mails, and is due here to-morrow

at about 6 a.m.

The E. and A. S. "St. Albans"

left Moji for this port on April

27 at p.m. and is due here to-

morrow at about p.m.

The B. I. S. "Shirala" left

Singapore for this port on April 27

at p.m. and is due here on May 2

at p.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of

Australia" left Yokohama on April

24, and is due at Vancouver on

May 5.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of

Canada" left Yokohama yesterday

at 6 a.m. and is due at Hongkong

on May 6.

The S.S. "Ceylon" (Swedish East

Asiatic Co. Ltd.), left Antwerp on

April 4 and is due here on or about

May 18.

The annual meeting of the Hong-

kong Chinese General Chamber of

Commerce is to be held at 2.30

p.m. on Saturday, May 8.

LOCAL SHIPPING.TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND
CLEARANCES.**THE MORNING LIST.**This morning, the following
sea-going arrivals at Hongkong
were reported:-

Kanchow (1222) Br. from

Shanghai, Amoy; B. & S.

Glenbeg (5845) Br. from London,

Singapore; J. M. & Co.

Kashih (1143) Br. from Shang-

hai; B. & S.

Anking (2047) Br. from Singa-

pore, Amoy; B. & S.

Hong Peng (2525) Br. from

Rangoon, Singapore; Seng Soon

Hong.

Tali (1071) Chinese, from Foo-

chow; Kwong Fook.

Sun Kong (322) Chinese, from

Kwong-chow-wan; Man Yick.

Tai Sze Ma (402) Chinese, from

Macedonia (5650) Br. from

Yokohama, Shanghai; M. M. & Co.

Hakata Maru (5752) Jap. from

Yokohama, Moji; N.Y.K.

DEPARTURES.

For Shanghai: Sado Maru, Pen-

ang, Maru, Africa, Shantung.

For Amoy: Derwent, Kaying.

For Wei-hai-wei: Huichow.

For T. Pandan: Tjinkin.

For Singapore: Van Overstraten.

For Kwong-chow-wan: Jade.

For Saigon: Pheumphen.

For Hilo: Wuhu.

For Hau Hoi: Tak Hing.

QUAKE VICTIM.

BODY FOUND AFTER THREE

YEARS.

Tokyo, April 13.

On April 7 the town office of the

Onsen, Mura, Asigara-shimo Gun

reported to the American Consul at

Yokohama the discovery of the re-

mains of the late Mr. Donald D.

Herr at Kawakubo, Nakamura.

He was forty-three years old at

the time of his death and was re-

sistered at the Fujiya Hotel in

Nagashima as an American En-

gineer from Cleveland. Mr. Herr

was buried under a landslide caused

by the earthquake on the day

of the Great Calamity, and was

reported dead at the time, but his

remains were not discovered as his

whereabouts had not been definitely

known. It is now believed that he

was shopping when he met death.

The American Consul at Yoko-

hama has reported the finding of

the remains to Mr. Herr's brother,

Mr. Arthur B. Herr of Watkins,

New York, and is awaiting instruc-

tions as to the disposition of the

remains.

The late Mr. Herr was the only

foreigner unaccounted for for a

long time and with the discovery

of his remains all of the remains

of foreigners who met death in the

earthquake disaster of 1923 are

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The remains of the ill-fated

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"KASHGAR"	9,005	15th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"PERIM"	7,448	20th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	25th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MIRZAPUR"	8,735	3rd June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KHYBER"	8,214	10th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MANPUA"	10,902	15th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	8,188	20th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	8,188	25th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"DELTA"	8,067	1st July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	15th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KALYAN"	9,144	20th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	25th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,005	30th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp

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BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS.

"SANTHA"	7,734	3rd May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TALMA"	8,013	8th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"SANTHA"	10,000	13th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"SANTHA"	10,000	18th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"ST. ALBANS"	4,600	4th May	Manila, Kolambagan, Thursday
"TANDA"	8,858	at 11 a.m.	Island, Townsville, Brisbane
"A.A. FUKA"	9,444	1st June	Sydney and Melbourne

*Omit. Sandakan, but call at Kolambagan.

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"KHYBER"	9,114	2nd May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"SHIRATAI"	7,841	4th May	Amoy, Shanghai, Yokohama & Osaka
"NAGASAKI"	8,283	4th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TANDA"	8,858	8th May	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama
"MALWA"	10,941	15th May	Shanghai
"MANPUA"	10,902	15th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"PADA"	8,027	20th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHMIR"	8,188	11th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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"DELTA"	8,067	1st July	Shanghai and Kobe
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	15th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KALYAN"	9,144	20th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MALWA"	10,941	25th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,005	30th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MORSA"	10,918	15th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe

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FROM SHANGHAI.
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3 - J.C.J.L. Tihwang
5 - C.P.S. Empress of Canada
7 - A.O.L. Pres. Grant
16 - J.C.J.L. Tihwang
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BIRTHS.

DE BURGH-THOMAS. — On
April 17, at Pulau Bulang, to
the wife of Mr. A. de Burgh-
Thomas, M.C., a daughter.
JEFF. — On April 21, at the Euro-
pean Hospital, Kuala Lumpur,
to the wife of J. Jeff, Malayan
Civil Service, a daughter.

DEATH.

SCOTT. — On April 20, at 86,
Perak Lane, Penang, Isabella
Maria Scott, aged 26, daugh-
ter of the late Mr. T. A. A.
and Mrs. A. E. Scott, of
Singapore, and sister of Mr.
C. C. Scott, Bandmaster,
M. C. P. Penang.

Hongkong, Friday, April 30, 1926.

FEMALE FRANCHISE.

It is a coincidence that, on the
same day that the Rev. H. Copley
Moyle writes to the local Press
suggesting female franchise,
Reuter should cable the news of
a lady being elected M.P. for
East Ham North.

The reverend gentleman con-
sidered that "it is time that
women should be given the vote
and the right to sit on public
Councils and Boards in this
Colony." There can almost be
imagined a flippant smile on the
faces of many who read this sug-
gestion. And yet, the reverend
gentleman has written in all seri-
ousness. Much water has flowed
under the bridge of public opinion
since the hectic days of the
Suffragettes. The war came
along and gave a new angle to the
whole question of women's rights.
Moreover, the women have proved
that they can be capable mem-
bers of public Councils and Boards
both at Home and in the overseas
Dominions. Lady members of
Parliament are no novelty either
at Home or in Australia.

Here in Hongkong the problem
—if it can be termed a problem
—of female franchise does not at
first sight appear to bristle with
many difficulties. So far as
actual membership of a public
Council or Board is concerned
there are doubtless greater reasons
for than against ladies. The
average man who delighteth in
public service is usually in the
dilemma of having too many irons
in the fire. Some of his interests
have to be sacrificed to do some
well. On the other hand, the
ladies have the time, many of
them must have the ability, and
it would be no possible retrograde

sion to press for the election or
nomination of a lady member of
either the Sanitary Board or the
Education Board.

Now that the question has been
raised it would be interesting to
have the views of other promi-
nent citizens in addition to the re-
verend gentleman who has taken
up the cudgels in favour of the
ladies. We live in an age of pro-
gress. If our progress can be
accelerated and our life made
healthier and happier by the in-
clusion of ladies on our Councils
and Boards why not invite their
services?

LOCAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

To say that missionaries are
the cause of all the trouble in
China—or that they are primari-
ly responsible for the outbreak of
anti-foreignism in China,—is a
serious statement. If an extrem-
ist—one in favour of reform by
revolution—made the statement,
we might well dismiss the matter
as not worth a moment's con-
sideration. Similarly if a Russian
Bolshevik or a Communist
Chinese made it, not much regard
need be paid to it. But the
statement comes from a Briton—
one entitled to be heard; one
wielding a formidable pen and
prepared to justify his state-
ments. Leaving the larger issue
to one side, as beyond intimate
knowledge, except where direct
contact has been made with mis-
sions and missionaries in China—
does the statement hold water
locally? There will be no ques-
tion that it does not. Whilst
there is a measure of medical
missionary work being carried on
in the Colony, and a large mea-
sure of evangelistic work in the
villages of the New Territories,
missionary effort is principally
centred in education. Few know
little or anything about Christian
education of a primary character
carried on in different parts of
the Colony. It is of course not
unhonoured, but it is certainly
unsung. Day by day, teaching in
the vernacular is carried on by
devoted Chinese teachers under
the supervision of foreign Chris-
tian missionaries. The larger
schools are more in the public
gaze by reason of the class of
education taught and the influence
they have on the lives of hun-
dreds of Chinese of both sexes.
The strike may have found school-
boys in these institutions tinged
with the spirit of nationalism and
inclined to assert what we may
easily describe as a feeling of
patriotism. To ascribe any ill-
effects from such manifestations
to missionaries would be as un-
just as it would be absurd. All
the institutions we have in mind
are staffed, as a general rule, by
enthusiasts in a cause who de-
voted their lives to educate and in-
fluence. The boards or com-
mittees invariably include Chinese
who appreciate what is being
done, and appreciate it in a re-
markable and practical manner
by giving and raising large sums
for buildings and endowments.
No school of this character is a
"closed preserve." It is open to
the light of inspection, and where
Government grants are given
Government inspection is
likely to be a fact that Government

would be in dire straits, educa-
tionally, but for these mission
schools; whilst it is impossible to
estimate the bearing such work
has upon good citizenship and
that closer alliance of good feeling
and fellowship between Chinese
and foreigners about which some
of us talk such a lot and for
which we do so little.

TRAFFIC CHARGE.

RICKSHA MEN STRUCK
BY BUS.

KOWLOON INCIDENT.

An accident in which four
ricksha coolies were struck by a
motor bus and injured at Gas-
cogne Road had a sequel at the
Kowloon Magistracy yesterday
when the bus driver was charged
with dangerous driving and hav-
ing inefficient brakes.

One of the coolies giving evi-
dence said that the bus must have
been travelling like a race horse.
Asked whether he would return
to the hospital after giving evi-
dence, another coolie said he in-
tended seeing a Chinese doctor, as
he had no faith in foreign medi-
cine.

The case was adjourned.

SHALLOW LIES.

PARTNER TO DELIBERATE
FRAUD.

CHINESE CONVICTED.

At the Central Magistracy yester-
day, Mr. E. Davidson called
further evidence for the prosecu-
tion in a charge against a manag-
ing partner of conspiring to
defraud the Him Yick firm of
\$3,200. It was stated at pre-
vious hearings that when deposi-
tions applied for the return of
their money the accused put them
off with a remark that the affairs
of the firm had not been adjusted.
Mr. J. T. Prior, for the defence,
said that another man was in-
structed to make the payments,
but it was not known whether he
had done so, as he had not been
seen since the case began. There
was nothing to show that the pro-
missory notes were forgeries and
he thought his client had been
easily imposed upon.

The Magistrate (Mr. Lindell)
pointed out that accused had
obviously lied in the witness box,
to which Mr. Prior said that the
lies were extremely shallow and
he did not think the man was
lying by art.

Accused was found guilty of a
deliberate fraud and sentenced to
three months' hard labour.

WEDDING.

THORPE-GERRARD.

A quiet wedding took place
yesterday afternoon at St. John's
Cathedral, the parties being Mr.
Bernard Thorpe, of the Hongkong
Police Force, and Miss Margaret
F. Gerrard, daughter of Mr. and
Mrs. W. G. Gerrard.

The bride wore a charming
dress of white chamoise with
lace over-dress, embroidered tulle
veil with coronet of orange blos-
soms and white heather. She car-
ried a bouquet of white roses and
maiden hair fern.

Mrs. A. H. Elston attended the
bride as matron of honour and
was attired in mauve crepe de
chine with hat to match, carrying
a bouquet of larkspur. There
were no bridesmaids.

Mr. W. H. Noloth attended the
bridgeman as best man.

The Rev. H. C. Copley Moyle
officiated.

Following the entertainment of
friends at the residence of Mr.
and Mrs. A. H. Elston, Happy
Valley, the bride and bridegroom
left for Repulse Bay, the bride's
going away dress being of beige
crepe de chine with shoes to
match and powder blue hat.

On Saturday Mr. and Mrs.
Thorpe leave for England by the
s.s. "Macedonia."

A BAD MONGREL.

HIT THE HAND THAT
FED IT.

EUROPEAN ATTACKED.

Among reports of attacks by
dogs yesterday, one has it that
a mongrel bit the hand that fed
it, the victim being a caretaker at
the Kennedy Town dog camp.

An Alsatian wolf-hound dashed
out from the residence of Captain
Pinn Maim and, although muzzled,
dug his teeth into the leg of Mr.
L. E. Curwood, of Knutsford
Terrace, Kowloon, who was driving
a motor cycle at the time. The
animal has been sent to Kennedy
Town.

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

The completely
Within the Law. Gilbertian circle
in the cigarette
and tobacco law was reached at a
West-end restaurant the other
evening. A diner, wanting some
cigarettes, went to the automatic
machine on the cashier's counter,
but found it empty. Informed of
the fact the cashier opened a case
of cigarettes and inserted a num-
ber of packets in the machine, from
which the man bought a packet.
Needing a second packet, he asked
the cashier to change a half-crown
in order that he might have a suit-
able coin for the machine. In the
light of the law, that restaurant did
not sell any cigarettes after 8 p.m.

The best cure for
The Best Cure. worry, depres-
sion, melancholy
brooding, says Mr. Arnold
Bennett in the third series of his
"Things That Have Interested
Me," is to go deliberately forth
and try to lift with one's sym-
pathy the gloom of somebody
else. And let both those who can
and those who can't do good work
make a practice of benevolence,
thought. Let all think kindly of
others; never criticise them;
never condemn, never judge; on
the contrary, let all condone, ex-
cuse, justify, seek to comprehend,
seek to put themselves in the
place of others. The mental
attitude has to be perseveringly
cultivated. It cannot be adopted
by a mere good resolution
(Some—exceedingly few—are
born within it, and all
I have to say of them is,
that they do not know their
luck, for something within them
is always mysteriously manufac-

turing happiness for them.) We
must ask ourselves about a thou-
sand times a day, "Who am I to
sit in judgment?" We must
learn to perceive the absurdity,
the impudence, and the prepos-
tuousness of sitting in judgment.
To err is human, to forgive ought
to be. Here is the finest
form of benevolence, and
it will produce the finest
form of satisfaction—a sat-
isfaction which increases from
year to year and only reaches its
maximum when life ends.

It is not true that the
They say... following lines are to
be placed over the
portals of the entrance to the
P.W.D. offices:—

They say.
Quhat saye thay.
Thay said said.
Lat thaim saye.

That is said to have been the
haughty retort of George Keith, 5th
earl marshal, to those who com-
mented on the extent to which his
family had been enriched by grants
of Church lands which had been
annexed by the Crown. But un-
doubtedly the Earl Marshal, who
was recognised as one of the most
cultured men of the age, was
employing a remark of an earlier
date which he had met with in the
course of his studies. This George
Keith's memory will be kept green
as long as the Marischal College at
Aberdeen exists, for he was its
founder. There is another rhyme
Scottish proverb which was
seemingly verified by the later mis-
fortunes of the Keiths:
Meddle na with haly things;
For if ye dse,
A weird, I rede in some shape,
Shall follow thee.

FIRE AT SEA.

S.S. CO'S "PENANG" TOTALLY
LOST NEAR SINGAPORE.

CREW SAVED FROM BLAZING
SHIP.

One of the most thrilling stories
in local shipping history was en-
acted in the Malacca Straits, about
23 miles from Singapore, last night,
says the "Straits Times" of April
23, when the Straits Steamship
Company's "Penang" caught fire
and was a total loss, the crew
being saved by several ships which
stood by.

The "Penang," which is a vessel
of 870 tons gross, and was built as
far back as 1881, runs between
Singapore, Port Swettenham and
Port Dickson. Yesterday she left
Singapore at four o'clock with a
general cargo and thirteen deck
passengers. She had a crew of
about fifty Malays and Chinese,
and there were 2,500 tins of kero-
sine in her after hold.

The Alarm of Fire.

At about seven p.m., when the
ship was nine miles north of the
Sultan Shoal light, the alarm of
fire was raised, and flames shot up
from the fore hold. The fire-hoses
were immediately got to work, the
boats slung out, and all other pre-
cautions taken, but it was quite
impossible to check the flames. It
is believed that the fire started
among some straw, and its in-
tensity was due to the fact that
some Chinese sambo caught alight.

It was evident in ten minutes
that there was no chance of ex-
tinguishing the fire, and the
Chinese, who had taken boat
stations, let the boats away. The
tackle became tangled, and the
European officers had to cut the
lines to free the boats. Had it not
been for the fact that men were
clinging to lines and tackle in the
water around the "Penang" Captain
Ure would have attempted to beach
the ship and he did in fact try to
do so, but had to stop the engines
to save the men in the water. The
anchor was then dropped.

Overpowering Flames.

After a short time it became im-
possible to stay on the ship. The
heat and fumes were overpowering,
and the fumes were blown aft by
the wind, so that it was impossible
to get forward at all. The Chinese
coolies had already left the
ship, and since they had taken the
boats, the Malay crew and Euro-
pean officers were left to save them-
selves as best they could. "Raffa"
and everything that would float
were made use of, but some of the
Malays had to swim until they were
picked up.

Captain Ure and his officers told
a "Straits Times" representative
this morning that all the Malays
behaved splendidly, and especially
John, the Malay boatman who did
a great deal of gallant work. The
young second engineer, and the
Chinese steward were overcome by
the gases and fumes, and the
Malays picked them up and saw that
they got into the boats, and they
throughout the Malays behaved in
a manner worthy of their sea-
faring traditions.
An Alsatian from Stern to Stern
Captain Ure, Mr. Lewis (Chief

Officer), and Mr. Anderson (chief
engineer) remained on the ship
until everyone else had left and
they left the ship themselves about
forty-five minutes after the fire
broke out. In another fifteen
minutes the ship was ablaze from
stem to stern, the flames reaching
to the masthead. Frequent explo-
sions were heard, as the flames
reached the kerosene and the
drums of fuel-oil which were also
in the holds.

The captain and chief engineer
donned lifebelts and slid down into
the sea, by a rope from the stern.
How the mate, who was on the
bridge aft, got away is not yet
known, but he was picked up safely.
The captain and engineer, who
supported themselves on a gangway,
drifted four miles and were in the
water over an hour before they
were picked up. There was a
strong current, and the men on
rafts or swimming without support
were carried along by it, but for-
tunately a small Batu Pahat coaster
named the "Meena" also drifted
with the current, and saved them.
There was a fresh wind and sea,
but fortunately, having regard to
the danger from sharks, there was
no moon.

No Lack of Assistance.

Fortunately there was no lack of
assistance, several vessels having
left Singapore just after the
"Penang" The "Meena" came up al-
most at once, and did most valuable
rescue work. Her Malay captain
had a boat out, and also, picked
men up on his own craft. The
Straits Steamship vessel "Calypso"
and the Dutch steamer "Van Cloon"
bound outwards from Singapore for
Batavia, also stood by. The Asia-
tic Petroleum Company, whose
officials saw the blaze from Pulau
Bukom, sent out the tug "Hercules",
the Harbour Board sent a tug, and
Captain Chalmers, the Senior
Boarding Officer, went out in a
launch. The blaze was clearly
visible from the top of Mount
Faber.

As far as can be ascertained, no
lives were lost. The two boats of
the "Penang" were towed back to
Singapore by the "Hercules", which
also brought back the captain, the
chief engineer, and the second en-
gineer (Mr. Murchie). The chief
officer went to Muar on the "Meena",
and several others to Malacca on
the "Calypso", but everyone appears
to have been accounted for.

Officers Lose Everything.

The captain, officers, and crew
lost all their belongings, and a con-
siderable amount of money in the
case of the officers. The first news
of the disaster was received at
Singapore through a wireless
message from the "Van Cloon".
The fire lasted until 5.30 this
morning, when the "Penang" sank,
her disappearance into seventeen
fathoms of water being witnessed
by Mr. P. S. A. George, superin-
tending engineer of the Straits
Steamship Company, and Captain
H. A. Weldon, marine superin-
tendent of the company who were
on board the Harbour Board tug.

The "Penang" was an iron screw
steamer of 877 tons gross and was
built at Laird in 1881. She was
202 feet long, had a breadth of 27
feet and a depth of 14 feet. She
was owned by Richardson of
Harborough.

WAR DEBTS.

TWO GENERATIONS WILL NOT PAY.

CASH NOW BETTER.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, April 29.

The "New York Times" expresses the opinion that the war debt settlements cannot endure. It adds:—

"Nothing can be more certain than that two generations of Europe will not, without protest, continue paying vast sums to the United States. It is equally certain that it would be good business for us to accept virtually for cash in hand the present value of the debts as soon as any sound and skilful plan for funding them can be elaborated and agreed to."

French Debt.

Washington, April 29.

A settlement has been reached for the funding of the French debt. Terms Detailed.

Washington, later.

The settlement is on a basis of 62 years, with the payment of \$30,000,000 annually for the first two years, \$32,500,000 annually for the next two years, and gradually thereafter to a maximum of \$125,000,000 annually.

No Safety Clause.

Washington, latest.

It is calculated that the payments will aggregate \$6,847,000,000. No interest will be charged for the first five years, but thereafter the rate of interest will gradually increase from one per cent. in the first 10 years to 3½ per cent. in the last 22 years.

There is said to be no safety clause.

KOREA EXCITED.

"WEEPING" FOR THE LATE EMPEROR.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tokyo, April 29.

This morning "Jiji" publishes reports from Seoul according to which the ex-emperor's death resulted in abnormal excitement in the Korean capital. The police are most active in controlling the tremendous crowds which are collecting daily in the front of the palace for the purpose of expressing condolence by weeping in accordance with Korean custom.

It is reported that the Korean police are becoming most excited and "killed" one Japanese and seriously injured another with their sabres yesterday whilst attempting to regulate the crowds.

Prince Yi, whose contemplated tour to Europe is postponed, owing to the ex-emperor's death, has succeeded to his estates.

FRENCH BUDGET.

PASSED FINALLY BY BOTH HOUSES.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, April 29.

The Budget having been finally passed both Chambers, Parliament has adjourned until May 27.

A Trifling Balance.

(Havas Agency.)

Paris, April 29.

Before adjourning till May 27 Parliament voted definitely the Budget establishing receipts and expenditure as follows:—
Receipts..... 37,498,739,468 francs
Expenditure..... 37,338,369,202 francs

Balance..... 159,370,266 francs

CHINA'S WAR.

SHANSHI TROOPS AND THE RAILWAY.

(Reuter's Service.)

Shanghai, April 29.

General Yen Hsi Shan's Shansi troops, it is reported, have cut the railway between Tatungfu and Kalgan.

FOR MOSCOW.

CHRISTIAN GENERAL AT LAST LOCATED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Moscow, April 29.

General Peng Yu-liang has arrived at Verkhneudinsk from Urga en route to Moscow.

BRONCHIAL COUGHS.

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RAIDS ON ROUGHS.

GOOD HAULS BY POLICE IN CALCUTTA.

GOVERNOR INTERVENES.

(Reuter's Service.)

Calcutta, April 29.

The situation in the northern districts of the city is quieter though isolated assaults continue. One man was killed and six wounded.



Earl of Lytton.

The Earl of Lytton, Governor of Bengal, arrived from Darjeeling and interviewed the leading representatives of each community.

The police continue to raid the disturbed areas, and arrests are being made almost hourly. A large quantity of arms has been captured.

POLAR RACE.

BYRD EXPEDITION AT KING'S BAY.

(Reuter's Service.)

Oslo, April 29.

The Byrd Polar Expedition has arrived at King's Bay, Spitzbergen. The ship Chantier carries two aeroplanes, with which it is intended to fly to the Pole from a base 400 miles away.

Byrd's Expectations.

The Chantier, which has a speed of nearly ten knots, besides carrying the two planes, has all the other equipment required for the Polar expedition. Her hold is filled with coal, and a cargo of 4,500 gallons of airplane fuel will be taken along. Food supplies for six months will be carried. The fuel supply is expected to permit approximately 10,000 miles of flying. The most modern navigational equipment will be installed in the two planes Byrd will use. The sun compass, which was used by Byrd and MacMillan with success on the expedition last year, has been improved during the winter, and an earth induction compass, a highly sensitive instrument, will be carried in the planes.

The Base.

Commander Byrd is confident that a landing can be made at Cape Morris Jesup during May. During this period everything is covered with snow, which he regards as safer than ice formations. Though the cold is more intense during May, the better wind and fog conditions will compensate for this drawback. All flights from the base at Cape Morris Jesup will carry the explorers over territory which is unexplored and if conditions are not such as will permit flights to the Pole, explorations can be made in this region, which has never been seen by man.

Radio Experts.

Commander Byrd expects to keep in constant radio communication with his base ship at King's Bay. Two experts on short wave length equipment will be in the party. No attempts will be made to broadcast over great distances. Communication with the world will be through relayed messages from the base ship to Green Harbour.

"Our expedition," Byrd said, "has been conservatively planned. We are not going to make any wild dashes to the Pole, but we hope to reach that objective if possible to do so. Our hope is to show that aerial navigation of the Polar region is possible. With this accomplished, we will have made a great advance in the development of commercial aviation."

Wilkins Expedition.

San Francisco April 29.

A wireless message from Point Barrow announces the safe arrival of Nielsen, the pilot of the Wilkins North Polar Expedition.

BRIDGE COLLAPSE.

SCORE OF PERSONS DROWNED IN RUSSIA.

(Reuter's Service.)

Riga, April 29.

A score of persons have been drowned through the collapse of a temporary bridge over the River Okhta, ten miles from Leningrad.

DARKEST HOUR.

COAL OUTLOOK ADMITTEDLY GLOOMY.

SEARCHING FOR HOPE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 29.

The coal outlook is admittedly dark, but there is some hope in this darkest hour before the dawn. The miners' leaders were early this morning discussing the policy with the General Council of the Trade Union Congress, and it is learned that the whole Trade Union movement will solidly support the miners' demands.

Simultaneously, the owners conferred separately, and their Committee later saw Mr. Baldwin. All negotiations are most secret, but much depends on the latest attitude of the owners.

Trades Union Decision.

London, April 29.

The Trade Union Conference has adopted a resolution in favour of general support of the miners. No decision regarding a general strike was taken.

1,000 To 1 On!

London, later.

Though the coal negotiations are still continuing, late in the evening the gravity situation was indicated by Mr. J. H. Thomas (Labourite, Derby) expressing the opinion that it was 1,000 to one on a stoppage, adding that if they were in a parlous state last night they were separated by an arm's length to-night.

The Immediate Issue.

London, later.

The coal discussions continued till after midnight when the Prime Minister, after a discussion, lasting 2½ hours, with the owners' representatives, met the Committee of the miners and the Trade Union Congress, and after a brief sitting the latter conference was adjourned till later in the morning.

It is stated that the owners will submit specific proposals to the Prime Minister after which, he will again confer with the joint Committee of the Trade Union Congress and the Miners' Executive.

It is understood that the Miners' Executive have definitely rejected the eight-hour day proposal and that the question which the Prime Minister discussed with the owners as the immediate issue was the suspension of the employers' notices.

It is reported that the Prime Minister indicated that he is prepared to consider an extension of State financial assistance for a few days in order to give further time for negotiation, provided that the owners suspended their notices.

It is understood that Mr. Baldwin is convinced that there will not be a coal stoppage.

SUGAR RESTRICTION.

CUBAN PARLIAMENT ADOPTS BILL.

HEAVY PENALTIES.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Havana, April 29.

Both Houses of Congress have approved of the Bill for the restriction of the sugar crop and the establishment of a sugar intelligence Committee.

The Bill provides a fine for every bag of sugar milled over each planter's quota and a fine of \$2,000 a day on mills violating the decree fixing the date for the commencement of the sugar harvest.

LONDON STRIKE.

DECISION OF ENGINEERING TRADES.

40,000 MEN AFFECTED.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 29.

A conference of delegates in London to-night recommended a strike of 40,000 men in the London engineering trades to enforce a demand for a wage increase of 2½ weekly.

DANISH FLIGHT.

ARMEN NOT YET AT PEKING.

Shanghai, April 30.

Reuter telegraphs from Peking that the Danish airmen who left Shanghai at 7.40 this morning had not arrived in Peking at 10 o'clock this evening.

OIL WELLS.

AN IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT SCHEME.

90 EXPERT DRILLERS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Bagdad, April 29.

As the necessary preliminary work has been completed by the Turkish Petroleum Company's geologists, the drilling plant for ten test wells, it is expected will arrive in Iraq soon.

The Company is embarking on an important development scheme. It has engaged the services of 90 expert American drillers and within the next twelve months it will be paying a salary bill of over \$100,000 a year.

The testing programme is expected to cost approximately \$1,000,000.

BY ELECTION.

A LABOUR GAIN IN EAST HAM.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 30.

The by-election at East Ham North, owing to the death of the Conservative member, Mr. C. W. Crook resulted in a labour gain.

The polling was:—

Miss S. Laurence.

Miss Susan Laurence, Lab. 10,798
G. W. S. Jarrett, Conservative 9,171
Dr. Burgin, Liberal 6,603

The result at last General Election was:—
C. W. Crook, Conservative 11,194
Miss S. Laurence, Labour 10,137
G. E. Edwards, Liberal 6,970

COMPANY REPORT.

THE "CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE."

FIGURES FOR LAST YEAR.

The report of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., for presentation to the 45th Ordinary Meeting, on May 18, reads:—

The general agents (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.), and consulting committee have pleasure in submitting a statement of the affairs of the Office made up to December 31, 1925, in sterling and Hongkong currency.

1924 Account:—After paying an interim dividend of \$18 per share on May 14, 1925, the amount standing to the credit of this account is \$920,081.17.

This is resolved to deal with in the following manner:—
To pay a final dividend of \$22 per share \$220,000.00
To add to sterling reserve fund £10,000 58,581.50
To add to reinsurance fund 100,000.00
To add to underwriting account to close the year 1924 515,499.67

1925 Account:—The amount standing at credit of this account is \$1,970,269.65. Out of this the general agents and consulting committee have declared an interim dividend of \$18 per share absorbing \$130,000. The balance of \$1,790,269.65 will be carried forward.

Consulting Committee:—The Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. A. H. Compton, A. S. Gubbay, Henry Humphreys, T. E. Pearce and H. P. White retire, but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors:—The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming who, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors' Report:—We report that we have examined the accounts of the company at the head office with the books and vouchers in Hongkong and returns received from the various agencies for the year ending December 31, 1925. We have also satisfied ourselves as to the existence and value of the securities for investments, cash at bankers and on mortgage to the amounts specified. We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required and, in our opinion, the above balance sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the company's affairs according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the company.

PEKING COMMUNISTS.

Peking, April 21.
The activities of Communists in Peking have been restricted to some extent. It is learned that they have decided to keep a few moderate members in Peking exclusively to enlist and train new members, and to send skilful workers to conduct propaganda among the employees of the Government railways. The majority of Communists leaving Peking will proceed to Chengchow, Kailong, and Talyuanfu, the rest will travel along the Peking-Mukden and Tientsin-Pukow lines with the exception of a few who will start work on the Peking-Suiyuan line. Most of the comrades now remaining in Peking have removed their residences in order to escape the attention of the police.—"Kuo Wen New Agency."

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

April 30—Queen's Theatre: "The Shooting of Dan McGrew." The Moscow State Ballet present "The Fire Bird," at 9.15 p.m.

April 30—Star Theatre: "The Unknown Purple," 6.30 p.m. only. Dick Norton presents "The New Globe Trotters," 9.15 p.m.

April 30—World Theatre: "Lost in a Big City."

May 1—Repulse Bay Hotel, May Day Carnival.

May 2—Star Theatre, The New Globe Trotters, Matinee, 5.30 p.m.

May 2—Queen's Theatre: The Moscow Ballet presents "The Disaster of Dionysus," at 9.15 p.m.

May 7—Smoking Concert at Volunteer Headquarters and distribution of prizes won at recent Corps Rifle Meeting, 9.15 p.m.

Sports.

May 1—"Extra" race meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club, Happy Valley, 3 p.m.

May 1—Hongkong Police Boxing tournament at Volunteer Headquarters, 9 p.m.

May 1—Fourth annual athletic sports meeting of Cheung Chau Govt. (district) School, on the island football ground, 12.30 a.m.

May 1—Soccer match: 1/East Surrey Rgt. v. Royal Artillery in Div. 1 at Sookumpoo, 4.30 p.m.

May 2—Fourth annual athletic sports of the South China Athletic Association on H.K.F.C. ground, Happy Valley.

May 2—Fanning Hunt will meet at Lok-ma-chau, cross roads at 10 a.m.

May 6—Hongkong inter-school athletic sports at the Hongkong Football Club Ground, Happy Valley, 1.45 p.m.

May 6—Royal Artillery Athletic meeting at U.S.R.C. ground, Kowloon, starting at 2 p.m. daily.

May 8—Annual athletic sports of the Victoria Recreation Club Company Meeting.

May 13—Forty-fifth meeting of shareholders of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's offices, noon.

Auction.

May 8—At Lammert Bros., Sales Room, one seven-seater "Marmion" Motor Car, noon.

Miscellaneous.

April 30—May 6—Great Silk Sale at D. Chellaram's, silk store, 36A, Queen's Road Central.

April 30—Thirty-fifth annual meeting of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders in King's Building, 6 p.m.

May 1—Opening of Hongkong Hotel New Restaurant, 16 Des Voeux Road, Central, with meals a la carte at all hours.

May 1—Hongkong Hotel Public Bar re-opens to-day.

May 4—Meeting of baseballers at the American Consulate to decide upon opening date for the season and to arrange fixtures, 6.15 p.m.

May 5—Hongkong Benevolent Society holds Jumble sale.

May 7—Lt. Col. W. A. Edmeades, D.S.O., R.A., and Officers Royal Artillery, Hongkong, will be at Home to friends from 3 to 6 p.m.

May 8—Annual meeting of Hongkong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, 2.30 p.m.

May 14—Inspection of Police Force by H. E. the Governor, at Headquarters, 4 p.m.

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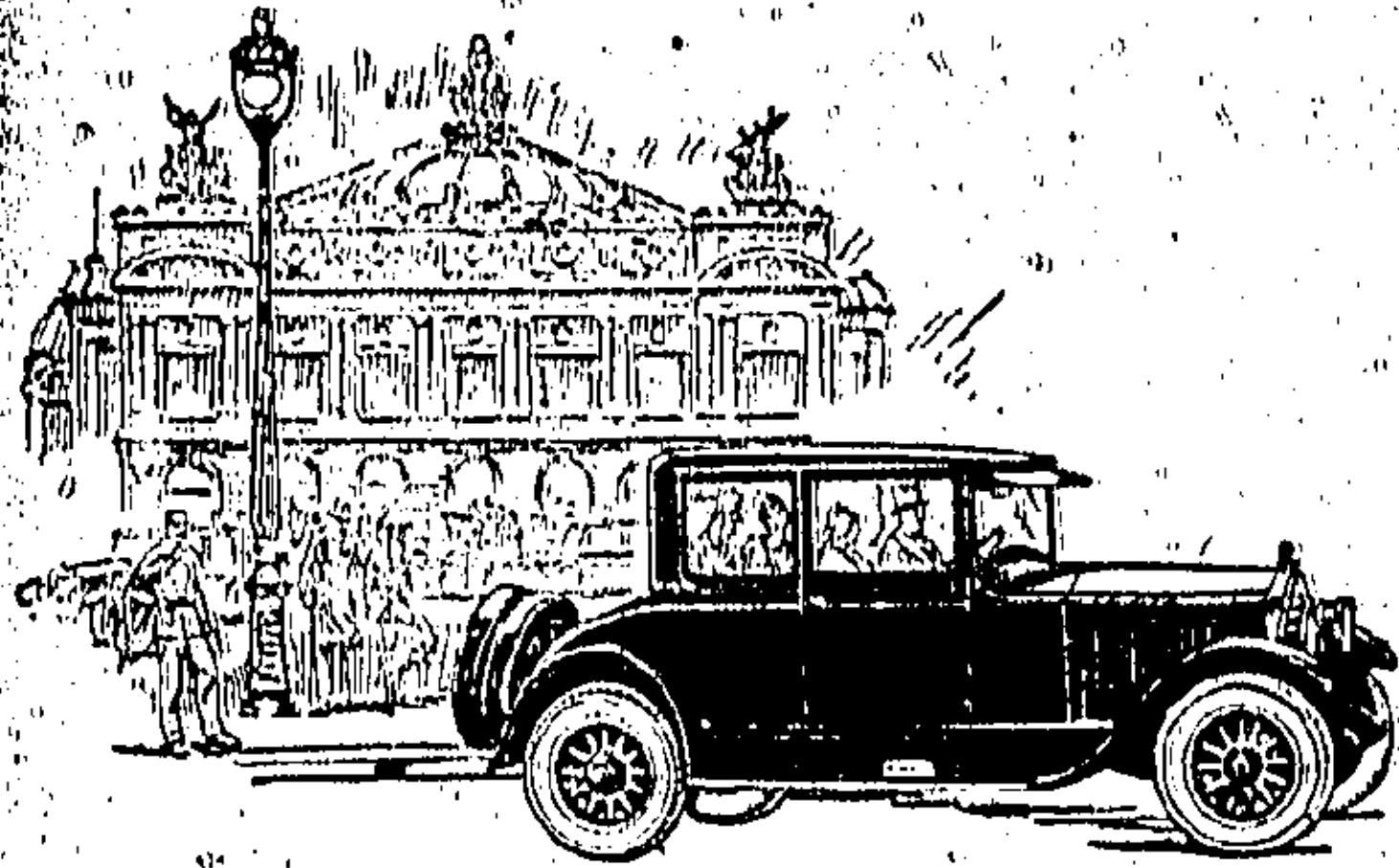
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The Spring issue of St. Andrew's Young Men's Club magazine is a bright and interesting production on which those concerned deserve congratulations.

A record snowfall for April is reported from Takayama and other towns in Hida province, Japan, where the depth is said to be over five inches. The snow and cold weather marred the festival of the Hiye Shrike in Takayama.

A plan for harnessing the electrical energy believed to be possessed by the Kitherto lifeless lake known as the Dead Sea, is announced. If properly exploited, it is declared, the lake can produce a maximum of 360,000 horse power.

Mr. Charles Talbot, of the Union Oil Company organisation in Japan with headquarters in Kobe, says that recent fires in California in which millions of dollars worth of oil in tanks was burned would not affect the distribution of the company "in the least."

Japanese labour leaders are making arrangements for the celebration of May Day, which, according to present plans, will be observed by a gathering in Shik park, and a parade from there to Ueno park, Tokyo. Details of the programme will be arranged at a meeting of representatives of labour organisations which are to participate in the celebration.

Two of the oldest saloons in England are shortly to pass out of existence. The "Two Brewers" saloon at Ferry Mill, Catford, near London which was in operation before Columbus discovered America and which has been dispensing drinks ever since is shortly to be demolished to make way for a modern hotel. Here, Dick Turpin, the famous highwayman who was hanged at York in 1739, used frequently to stop in for a drink, to the consternation of the "bar-flies." "Ye Olde Whittington" near Kinver, Staffordshire, which dates from early in the sixteenth century and where King Charles stayed in his flight from Worcester, is shortly to go under the auctioneer's hammer.

The Water Authority announces that a constant supply of water will be turned on in all rider main districts until further notice.

The Yokohama Municipality is to build a five-storyed steel-frame, fire and earthquake building designed for the hotel business.

A cash box containing about \$30 was stolen by an armed robber early yesterday morning from a Chinese widow living at Tai Po Old Market. The woman was struck on the head when she made an endeavour to recover her property.

"I do not believe," says Lord Hugh Cecil, "that there is in the whole of Christian history any settled part of the Christian Church which is less remote from the Kingdom of Heaven as sketched in the New Testament than is the Church of England to-day."

The Union of Chinese Chambers of Commerce, with headquarters in Peking, has submitted a memorandum to the Peking Government urging the immediate opening of formal negotiations with Soviet Russia for redemption of ruble notes in possession of the Chinese people.

China's capital is one of the few walled cities in the world the gates of which really close every night and remain closed until daylight. The time for opening and closing the city gates has now undergone another change. For some time past they have opened at 5 in the morning and closed at 6 at night. But now they are to open at 5.30 a.m. and close at 6 p.m.

Washington policemen are wondering just how one can hit a prisoner and still be courteous about it. In a lecture cautioning policemen to dispense with "hard-boiled" tactics, Edwin B. Hesse, Superintendent of Police, said there was no excuse for gruffness or discourtesy in dealing with law offenders, and added: "Even when a prisoner becomes violent, there is no reason for it. If you must hit him, hit him in a courteous way."

Residents of New York City give up Ten Million Dollars a year to "charities" which are questionable or completely fraudulent.

The Home Secretary, Sir William Joynson Hicks, M.P., has informed the Lord's Day Observance Society, who wrote to the Home Office regarding the betting on girls' races on Sunday mornings at the North Walthamstow Athletic Grounds, that these races have now been discontinued.

Aerial tours of Great Britain are to be offered American visitors this summer. An English aircraft company is building a fleet of four and eight-seater planes to meet the American demand for speed. Three, four and seven-day tours of England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales, with landings at the principal places of interest, are to be offered. Some of the machines will be seaplanes, equipped to descend on lakes and rivers, designed especially for tours of the lake country and the coastal towns.

A tempest in a teapot has been raised in Stratford-on-Avon. The Town Councilors, some of whom are also trustees of the Shakespeare Memorial, have changed the historic if not exactly magnificent names of some of the streets. For instance, Skinner's lane, leading to Anne Hathaway's Cottage, is to be Anne Hathaway Road; Back Lane is to be dressed up as Grove Road and Swine Street is to be changed into Ely Street. A protesting letter to the "Times" from one Shakespeare trustee will probably be followed by others.

"Rose Marie," the first production which has ever run for a year at Drury Lane Theatre, has celebrated its birthday. The theatre was opened in 1663, so "Rose Marie" establishes a record for 263 years. Over a million people have seen the play in London and the provinces, and a wealthy Indian merchant, who has now returned to the East, bought a box for every Wednesday matinee of his six months stay in London. So far the members of the company have worn 1,400 costumes, 1,600 pairs of shoes, and 2,000 pairs of stockings.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. A. K. McDonnell's Dodge Roadster has been won by ticket No. 34.

All being well, the Bishop of London is likely to be in Hongkong on Christmas Day.

Mr. Harry Tobias, of N. Lazarus is due in the Colony next month on his return to Shanghai from Home leave.

The engagement is announced of Dr. Herbert Manchester, pastor of Yokohama Union Church, to Miss Mary B. Gerspacher of Syracuse, N. Y.

Capt. Daniel J. Keating, M.C., who has been promoted to that rank in the East Yorkshire Regiment, is with the 1st Battalion at Tientsin, North China. He was commissioned in the Leinster Regiment in April, 1916, and in 1922 was transferred to the Sappers on the disbandment of the Leinsters. Capt. Keating was mentioned in despatches in 1917, was given the Military Cross in recognition of his conspicuous courage in action, and also wears the two-war medals.

Mr. Frank Booth, of Tokyo, representative in Japan for the Baker-Parkins Company, suffered a broken leg in the driveway of the Imperial Hotel, Tokyo when his lower limb struck a projection as he was driving out in his motor-cycle. Mr. Booth was leaving the driveway at low speed and placed a foot on the ground to aid in guiding the machine. The motor-cycle was driven too close to the wall and his limb struck the brick. The bone snapped. Mr. Booth was taken to hospital and is resting easily.

The death occurred on March 20, in Osaka, of Mr. P. Paterson Fox, after a serious internal operation. Mr. Paterson Fox was a scholar of singular merit and had previously followed a distinguished teaching career in England, having taught at St. Peter's Court, Broadstairs (patronised by the British Royal Family) and at Uppingham. He went to Japan about a year ago to fill a Government appointment in a school at Shizuoka, but relinquished this in December last to occupy a better one at the Maizuru Naval College, when the first symptoms of his final illness appeared, and prevented his ever fully occupying his new position.



Mrs. Douglas Robinson, a sister of the late President Roosevelt, underwent an operation, seeking restoration of her sight. She has been blind for some time in one eye, and recently discovered that the sight of the other had dimmed to a point where she could scarcely see.

To "boost" England, Mr. Gilbert Frankau, the novelist, has left on a lecture tour in America.

King Alfonso was returning from a drive on the outskirts of the city, when his car was pulled up for a minor adjustment to be made. At that moment a tired-looking workman, walking citywards, not recognising the King, asked for a lift, as he was overcome with fatigue. With a smile, the King bade him jump in, and the car conveyed him swiftly to his humble dwelling in the slums of Madrid.

Dr. Henry Coward, addressing the members of the Leeds Rotary Club, remarked that only those who had been brought up in a typical atmosphere knew how it sweetened life. "A man's business is more likely to 'go west' if he shuts music out of his life," said Dr. Coward. "The subtle, stimulating, wit-sharpening, spirit-rousing, nerve-soothing influence of music is Nature's pleasant medicine. The most thriving business districts of Britain are the most musical. In sleep, dead, alive places, music is always at a low ebb. That is not an accident. Musical people are the brightest and most alert."

Bolton Wanderers who have won the English Cup final are popularly known as "the Trotters."

Mr. John Fitzpatrick, of Eckett Street, Bermondsey, has just celebrated his 100th birthday. He has lived in Bermondsey all his life. His chief pastime is walking, and he attributes his long life to hard work.

Mr. F. S. Brockman, of New York, associate general secretary of the international committee of Y.M.C.A., who has been touring the Orient has arrived in Tokyo. Mr. H. S. Sneyd, secretary of the Yokohama Y.M.C.A., is to confer with Mr. Brockman at Tokyo on various matters concerning the association works.

Mr. Mitsugu Hara, adopted son of the late Premier Hara, accompanied by his wife will soon leave Japan to study in England again. He recently married the daughter of the late Dr. Tokichi Masao, former Japanese Minister to Siam. Mr. Hara will continue to write from England for a literary magazine started in Tokyo by his friends. Mrs. Hara will continue her study of oil painting.

The announcement of the engagement of Miss Diana de Warzee, the daughter of the Belgian Minister to China, and Baroness de Warzee d'Hermalle, has created much interest in Tokyo where the family lived for nine years. M. de Warzee was Secretary and for a time Charge d'Affaires of the Belgian Embassy. After leaving Japan about five years ago, Baron de Warzee served as Belgian Minister at Havana, Cuba, and afterwards as Charge d'Affaires at Washington. He inherited the family title of Baron after leaving Japan.

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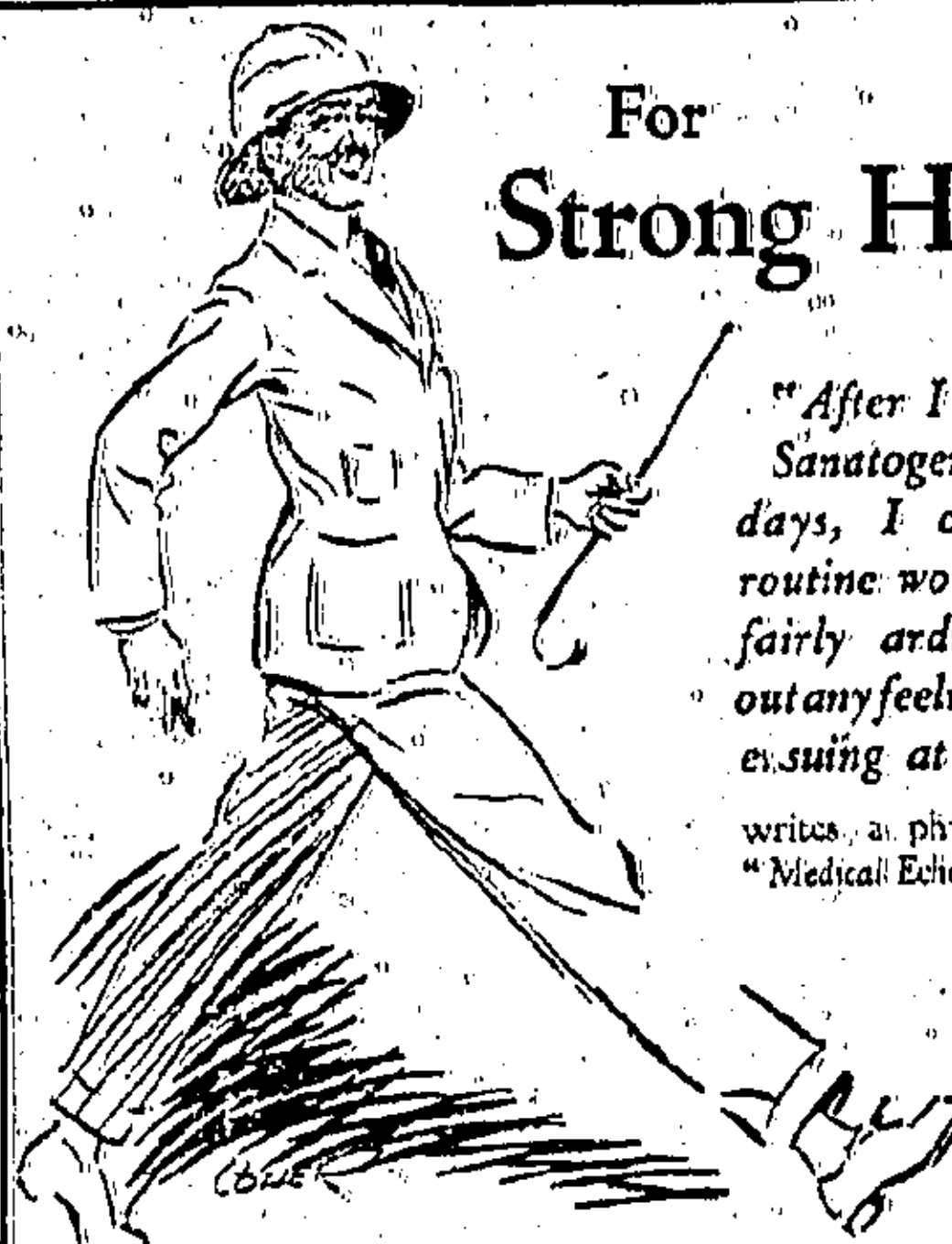
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RACING TIPS.

PROSPECTS FOR 2ND EXTRA MEETING.

PONIES TO FOLLOW.

By "Patrol."

Thursday night.

At the moment of writing it would seem that there is a good chance that the 2nd extra race meeting of the Jockey Club season will be held on Saturday.

The first saddling will be at 2.30 p.m. and the opening race starts at 3 p.m. There are, altogether, seven events on the card, each following at an interval of about half an hour.

To the layman, it looks as if the going will not be on the fast side, but conditions will not be nearly as bad as on April 3. Punters have already seen the ponies out in rain and mud, and the same form as at the previous meeting ought to apply again, in greater or lesser degree as the case may be.

In addition to the jockeys who were riding four weeks ago, Lt. Com. C. R. Thompson, R.N., is expected to do duty again for Messrs. Dyer and Beith. Mr. H. E. Davey, who is here from the North on leave, will be out. It is believed that he will do the colours of Mr. R. M. Austin and Mr. R. M. Austin.

Fields will be on the small side again.

A keen glance at the handicaps will show how most of the ponies are rated and, of course, how they compare in the "weight for money" events. Daisy Dahlia is near the top of the "A" class.

In the first place, he runs with other 1926 griffins on even terms and with subscription griffins at a 7 lb. disadvantage. I have heard that Mr. Brodie will have the mount.

In that case he will start a "hot" favourite and should have no difficulty in winning. Fireworks (Mr. Gordon) may also be tried here. Mr. Gordon will have a 5 lb. novice's allowance and should run into a place. Another one which appears to be a Golden Phoenix which Mr. Nemazez should steer to a place again. Other starters may be Invader (who ran second at the last meeting) and Reclaire, with Lt. Com. Thompson riding.

Until one can talk with a greater degree of certainty where owners will start their ponies, it is little more than guess work to say what is going to win. My presumptions are based on the general trend of expectations and the ponies singled out may pay to follow even in different circumstances.

Unless the course is much drier, I do not think Rotheray will win the "A" class (2nd race). The Regent was left standing at the post the last time, with most of the public's money on him. Barring accidents, he should make amends on Saturday (with Mr. Brodie in the saddle). If Banderan (now renamed The Goblin) is also sent, I think the danger will be from this quarter as this pony is running very well and stands a good chance of finishing first. Bay of Bellingham may be saddled but I do not think he is good enough in this class. Home Call (Mr. Davey) and Melody Dahlia will also have their supporters as they finished first and second in the same race on April 3.

The third race is a polo pony scurry, post entries. More, I cannot say.

In the fourth race—the big event of the day—the problem is not what is going to win, but what Saligia (unless something startling occurs) will pay. I fail to see anything to beat Total Abstinence for second place. With Lt. Com. Thompson in the saddle, this outstanding "sub" should give Saligia a good race, but (on form) that will be about all.

San Diego ought to give Mr. Stanton another armchair ride in the fifth race. Mr. Stanton is now leading in points for Lady Severn's cup (for novice jockeys) and should add to his total. Brigade Call (Mr. Davey) is unlikely to reverse the verdict of the last meeting, and the distance may prove too long for September (Mr. Brodie). If Loch Rannoch is sent for this race, he should not be allowed to run loose as he may get a place.

For the "B" class (race 6) I will look no further than The Gezer (Mr. Doyle).

Dobbin (Mr. Brodie) looks like repeating his victory in the last race of the day. Others that catch the eye are Home Call (if preferred here), and Sunburst Rose. It would be unfair to accuse Sunburst Rose of being dishonest but he thoroughly disappointed four weeks ago. Perhaps Mr. Nemazez may ride him this time but I cannot see him winning. Then there is Tacoma (Mr. Stanton), who is capable of a place. A pony that engages my fancy—provided a light jockey could be found—is

AUSTRALIAN TOUR.

TEST CRICKETERS' FIRST MATCH.

VISITORS' LOW SCORE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 29.

Following a blank day on account of rain, play began to-day in the first match of the present Australian cricket tour.

The weather was fine and the wicket slow.

The Australians drew with a team representing the minor counties. Score:—

Australia (1st innings):—179 runs. W. Burdley (N.S.W.) made 42. J. Ryder (Victoria) 43 not out. M. Falcon (Norfolk) took 7 wickets for 42 runs.

Minor Counties (1st innings):—115 runs for 4 wickets. Colman (G. R. R. Colman, of Norfolk, the Oxon Blue?) made 44 and Ling (A. S. Ling of Cambridgeshire?) 35.

Stumps were drawn at 6.15 p.m. on account of rain.

EMPIRE BILLIARDS.

ROSE COUNTRY DEFEATS THISTLE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 29.

In the Empire billiards championship, Scotland (England) beat Smith (Scotland) by 2,000 points to 3,324.

BOXING.

WELTERWEIGHT FIGHT DRAWN.

GOES FULL DISTANCE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 29.

At the Albert Hall, the twenty rounds boxing contest for the welter-weight championship of Britain between Harry Mason and Len Harvey ended in a draw.

Fight Described. In an even struggle Harvey had the advantage of height and reach. He generally kept off Mason well with lefts to face and body, varied by right leads to head, but Mason landed many good hooks and straight lefts.

In the eighteenth round Harvey rushed in with a left to the stomach and a right to the jaw. He then followed with a "smashing" right, flooring Mason, who took the count for eight. Toward the end of the round Mason fought back splendidly and had better a succeeding round.

There was a desperate mix-up on the final and the meeting went in favour of Harvey.

[An earlier cable stated that Harry Mason, the light-weight champion of Britain, was to meet Len Harvey, of Plymouth, for the welter-weight title, compulsorily relinquished by Tommy Milligan, because he is now unable to box at the weight.]

DEMPSEY'S NEXT FIGHT.

New York, April 22.

It is understood that the New York boxing commission will withdraw the order requiring Jack Dempsey to fight Harry Wills, the negro heavy-weight, on the ground that the match at this time would cause racial clashes.

It was stated, moreover, that their meeting would embarrass the Democrats in their fall election campaign.

Tex Rickard informed the commission that he had signed Dempsey to fight "anyone," any time, anywhere, and could therefore arrange a bout with Gene Tunney in the Yankee Stadium during September. "United Press."

The Gowl. Should he run, my money will be on him but it is no more than a gamble which, I hope, will be at excellent odds.

My selections, therefore, are:—

Race I: Daisy Dahlia (win), Fireworks and Golden Phoenix (place).

Race II: The Regent or The Goblin (to win), Home Call or Melody Dahlia (places).

Race IV: Saligia (first), Total Abstinence (second).

Race V: San Diego (first), Brigade Call (second), September (third) or Loch Rannoch (places).

Race VI: The Gezer (win), Grey Stank and Boston (places).

Race VII: Dobbin (win), Home Call and Sunburst Rose (places).

SOCCER DOUBLE.

KOWLOON AND RODGER'S BLUE JERSEY.

PENINSULA CHAMPIONS.

All doubt as to the destination of the championship of the senior division, Hongkong Football League, was removed last night when Kowloon F.C. defeated Hongkong F.C. by 3 goals to nil and thereby assured themselves of first place. Kowloon have already won the Challenge Shield. This is the first time in local soccer history that the double has been accomplished.

As a team, Kowloon fully deserved their victory yesterday on the Club ground. As individuals there was not very much difference—except with the ground and ball slippery—but Kowloon were far more effective and played with more polish. That opportunity that has brought off surprises for the peninsula in the past was still evident at this late stage in the season. Kowloon were keener—not more inclined to be reckless—and went out for victory with confidence. Rodger's abandonment of his usual green jersey, which always brought him "joss," may have had something to do with Kowloon's luck.

Play was not of a very high standard but the soccer was clean. Kowloon:—Avery; Wheeler; Read; Turner; Caille; McKelvie; G. Duncan, Spary, Sims, Hayes, K. A. Mason.

Hongkong:—Rodger; Summers; Howard; Lyon; Watson; Morrison; Pile; Brodie; Johnstone; McBride; Key.

After 17 minutes' pressure, the Hongkong citadel capitulated. Sims broke through smartly, drew Rodger, booted the leather along the ground from a difficult angle, and Spary put on the finishing touch.

Immediately after the interval, Hayes centred and Spary shot into an empty goal. Then Sims took a pass from Mason and scored the third goal with Rodger out full length, but unable to save.

Nine Beat Eleven.

On the Sookumpoo ground, which was very treacherous, the Police defeated South China by the odd goal in seven, in another senior league match.

The Police played two short and South China had about half their regular team.

At half-time the Police led 2-1. Then the score became 2 all. The Police led again but the Chinese got on terms once more only to lose at the end.

Cornwall got three goals for the winners and Hudson one. Sun Kam-shun scored twice for South China and Chan So got the other.

The table follows:—

	P.W.	D.	L.	F.A.	P.
Kowloon	14	11	1	2	45
Surreys	13	9	2	2	31
H.K.F.C.	14	7	2	6	14
South China	12	5	2	5	13
Police	14	4	2	8	16
Recreation	12	4	1	7	22
Artillery	12	8	3	6	16
Tamar	13	2	1	10	9

NOTES AND COMMENT.

[By "Dutchie."]—

There is only one game down for decision to-morrow, and that is:—

1/ East Surrey Regiment v. Royal Artillery, in division I, at Sookumpoo, kick-off at 4.30 p.m.

With the completion of this fixture, the senior division of the League will finish.

Kowloon are to be congratulated on winning both the league championship, and the Association Shield in one season. This is the first time that it has happened since the Shield competition has been run by the Football Association. It is not, however, (if memory serves me right), the first time that the "double event" has been accomplished by one team.

In 1903 H.M.S. "Glory" carried off the League championship and the Shield competition. This is the only other time that this has happened, so that although Kowloon have set up a record so far as the local F.A. is concerned, they have not set up a record for the Colony.

The East Surrey regimental players also deserve praise. They have, since their arrival in the Colony, always given good and sporting displays on the field of soccer, and incidentally have carried off some of the premier honours.

They came here in the latter part of 1925, and took over the

TENNIS EXHIBITION.

FILIPINO VISITORS BEAT HONGKONG.

HARD HITTING PAYS.

Putting hard hitting before accuracy, the Aragon brothers (of the Philippines Davis Cup team) showed up convincingly yesterday when they defeated H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn in an exhibition lawn tennis match at the Ladies' Recreation Club.

The Aragon brothers were superior in service by reason of the power they placed behind their shots. Their wrist work was highly commendable and they played together well as a pair.

Francisco Aragon smashed to good purpose and was the best of the four on the court.

The tennis was very fast, especially when compared to local standards.

With the visitors on the aggressive, the Rumjahns led by 3 games to 1 in the first set but the Filipinos won 6-4. Adapting their game to the occasion, the Rumjahns took the second set by keeping on the offensive (6-3). The Aragon brothers were not to be denied and ultimately won by 6-4, 8-5, 6-2 (best of five sets).

Subsequently two singles sets were played, resulting as follows:—Francisco Aragon beat H. D. Rumjahn 6-5; Guillermo Aragon beat S. A. Rumjahn 6-1.

The Aragon brothers, together with Manuel Barredo and Rafael Gorzales leave for the North to-day.

LOCAL BASEBALL LEAGUE.

Officials of clubs participating this summer in the Hongkong Baseball League are:—

Hongkong Baseball Club:—C. S. Ransom, captain; S. M. Monroe, manager.

Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps:—A. C. I. Bowker, captain; A. W. Ramsay, manager.

South China A.A.:—Richard Shim, captain; Him Wong, manager.

Filipino Club:—M. J. Ruff, captain; L. R. Hildebrand, manager.

Japanese Baseball Club:—H. Yokoi, captain; H. Imamura, manager; S. Hachima, secretary.

[At the recent annual meeting, the following officials were elected by the Association:—President, C. B. Ransom; Vice-President, W. Logan; Hon. Treasurer, L. R. Hildebrand; and Hon. Secretary, Him Wong.]

A meeting will be held at the American Consulate at 5.15 p.m. on May 4, to decide upon an opening date for the season and also to arrange fixtures.

H.K.C.C. TENNIS TEAMS.

The following have been selected to play for the Hongkong C.C. in the Tennis League to-morrow (at 4.15 p.m.):—

"A" team v. Indian R.C. "A" on the Indian R.C. ground:—A. Brearley and R. M. Henderson, A. B. Raworth and E. D. Lawrence, G. Miskin and E. Grimble.

"B" team v. Indian R.C. "B" on H.K.C.C. ground:—H. J. Armstrong and L. M. S. Lloyd; W. A. Nowers and W. M. Lyons, Captain H. F. Bloxham and E. J. R. Mitchell.

"C" team v. Chinese Recreation Club "C" on C.R.C. ground:—M. M. Watson and H. G. Sheldon, W. L. Dunbar and G. S. Hugh Jones, G. Rankin and A. C. Howell.

CHINESE ATHLETIC SPORTS.

For the South China A.A. annual athletic sports (on the H.K.F.C. ground, on Sunday, at 2.30 p.m.), there are 135 individual names in the entries and 19 teams in the 400 yards relay race.

There will be displays of Chinese boxing and self-defence.

The committee in charge of the meeting includes Messrs. Mok Wing-yue, Lee Yuk-tong, Chow Ling-pao, Choi Ting-yang, Luk Oi-wun, Sooi Pui-sui, and Chow Kan-wing.

fixtures of the King's Regiment. Since then they have won the League and the Shield. Their Reserve team have also won the Junior League, and the Junior Shield twice in succession. They will not be here next season.

The season has not been without its troubles, but it is to be hoped that before the next one becomes due, an understanding will be arrived at in this matter (it would be as well if the various authorities, with the assistance of Club officials, will see that the rulings are carried out in the fairest manner. It is of no use making rules and regulations if they are not going to be complied with. It would be better that the League be abandoned.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

Appointment.

H.E. the Governor has been pleased to appoint Pte. Edward Figgott Minett, V.D., as Medical Officer in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, with the rank of Lieutenant, with effect from April 16, 1926.

Command.

2/Lieut. E. J. R. Mitchell took over command of the Infantry Company on April 24, 1926, vice Lt. Capt. S. J. Jordan, M.C., on leave.

Annual Musketry.

Unit Commanders are reminded that Part I. Musketry Course for the year 1926-1927 should be completed by June 15, 1926.

Some units still have a large number of men to fire. Musketry Range is fully allotted, but the Peak Range is now available.

Artillery and Engineer Companies.

Musketry Course Part I. will be fired at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, May 2, 1926. All those who have not already fired Part I. must make an effort to attend.

Range Officer: 2/Lieut. M.T. Connean, M.C.

Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Uniform optional, but rifles, bayonets, belts and pouches must be taken.

Arms will be drawn from Corps Headquarters on Friday, April 30, 1926, between 9 p.m. and noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m., and on Saturday, May 1, 1926, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Mounted Infantry and Armoured Car Companies.

Musketry Course Part I. will be fired at Peak Range, on Sunday, May 2, 1926, at 9 a.m.

All those who were detailed to attend last Sunday must make an effort of attending on this occasion.

Range Officer: Capt. W. Brackenridge, M.C.

Members living on the Peak must assemble on the Range at 9 a.m. sharp, others must catch the 9 a.m. tram to the Peak.

Dress: Uniform optional, but rifles, bayonets, belts and pouches must be taken.

Arms: Will be drawn as detailed for Artillery and Engineer Companies.

Armoured Car Company.

Parade at Corps Headquarters on Monday, May 3, at 5.30 p.m. Drivers, as detailed by Sergt. D. G. Bruce.

Gunner N.C.O.s are requested to attend a meeting at 5.30 p.m. to discuss the starting of Classes in Vickers Gun instruction to run during the Summer.

Miniature Range will be available for the remainder.

Infantry Company.

Musketry Course Part I. will be fired on Sunday, May 9, 1926, by

all those who have not yet fired or passed. Failure to fire Part I. involves inefficiency and this is the last opportunity for members of the Infantry Company to fire this Course.

No. 4 Platoon and Kowloon Residents from Nos. 1, 2 and 3 will fire at Stonecutters Range under 2/Lieut. R. R. Davies, M.C., M.M.

Launch leaves Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and calls at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Hongkong residents of 1, 2 and 3 Platoons will fire at Peak Range under 2/Lieut. E. J. R. Mitchell. All those living on the Peak to be on the Range at 9 a.m. and others to catch 9 a.m. tram up.

Dress: Uniform optional, but rifles, bayonets, belts and pouches must be taken.

Arms: To be drawn from Corps Headquarters on Friday, May 7, 1926, between 9 a.m. and noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m., and on Saturday, May 8, 1926, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

No. 4 Platoon.

Parade at Volunteer Headquarters on Tuesday, May 4, 1926, at 5.30 p.m. for Miniature Range Practice. Dress: Must.

Strength.

The following is taken on the strength, as from 28th April, 1926, and posted to Armoured Car Company:—No. 1044 Pte. E. T. S. Zimmer.

Reversion.

No. 420 Corp. G. W. Sewell, Mounted Infantry Company, is permitted to revert to the ranks of Private at his own request, as from April 15, 1926.

Transfer.

No. 420 Pte. G. W. Sewell, Mounted Infantry Company, is permitted to transfer to the Armoured Car Company, as from April 15, 1926.

Leave.

The undermentioned officer and men are granted leave of absence from the Corps:—

Capt. S. J. Jordan, M.C. Infantry Co., from May 1, 1926, to April 30, 1927.

No. 227 B.S.M. C. H. Summers, Artillery Co., from May 16, 1926, to February 15, 1927.

No. 905 Gnr. S. T. Butlin, Artillery Co., from May 8, 1926, to March 7, 1927.

No. 373 Pte. J. R. F. Corley, No. 1 Platoon, from May 1, 1926, to January 31, 1927.

No. 922 Pte. C. G. Anderson, Armoured Car Co., from April 30, 1926, to May 31, 1926.

Resignation.

No. 231 Sergt. J. K. Shaw, Mounted Infantry Co., is permitted to resign from the Corps, as from April 15, 1926.

G. E. Swinton, Captain,

Adjutant, H.V.D. Corps.

NOTICE.

Smoking Concert and Presentation of Prizes.

At 8.15 p.m. on Friday, May 7.

It is hoped that there will be a good attendance and that all prize winners will make a point of being present and wear undress uniform with medals and decorations.

Tickets \$2 each (including refreshments) are obtainable at Volunteer Headquarters.

LOCAL BEQUESTS.

LATE MR. DENMAN FULLER'S WILL.

Mr. W. G. B. Denman Fuller, formerly organist at St. John's Cathedral, who died at his home at Bromyard, Hereford, left in Hongkong estate to the value of \$38,000. Probate has just been granted to Mr. C. E. H. Beavis, the local solicitor.

He bequeathed \$5,000 (Hongkong currency) to his aunt, Miss F. M. Bennet, Bromyard, Hereford; \$5,000 to his cousin, Mrs. Parkes (née Gwendolyn Weeks); British Columbia; \$2,500 to his cousin, Mrs. J. Smith (née Gertrude Weeks), British Columbia; \$1,000 to his cousin, Miss Annie Philpot, Bromyard; \$1,000 to Miss Olive Spyer, Warwick Avenue, London; \$500

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People and Events in the News of the World



FRANCES & JACOB NESBITT

Jacob Nesbitt confessed to the murder of his wife, Mrs. Frances Nesbitt, who was found dead in a tub full of water several weeks ago. Nesbitt was not suspected of the crime and at first aided the police in running down clues.



Mary Lewis, one of the foremost of American women in opera, has announced her engagement to Count Bondy von Bethlen, a son of the Premier of Hungary.



ARISTIDE BRIAND & JOSEPH CAILLAUX

Two of France's leading men of the hour—M. Briand, the Premier, and M. Caillaux, the politician of many ups-and-downs.



MRS. ELEANOR BREWSTER

A suit for \$200,000 was made by Mrs. Eleanor Brewster (above) against Corliss Palmer, a moving picture star, for alleged alienation of affections of Eugene V. Brewster, a millionaire New York publisher.



DOROTHY PEGAN

A self-defence plea won freedom for Miss Dorothy Pegan, of New Castle, Pa., who shot and killed Marine Sergeant Philip L. Tulley, a married man, during a jealous quarrel.



DAVID MARSHALL

David Marshall, who confessed to slaying Miss Anna M. Dietrich and dismembering her body, entered a plea of not guilty as Philadelphia prosecutors prepared to ask for the death penalty in his trial.



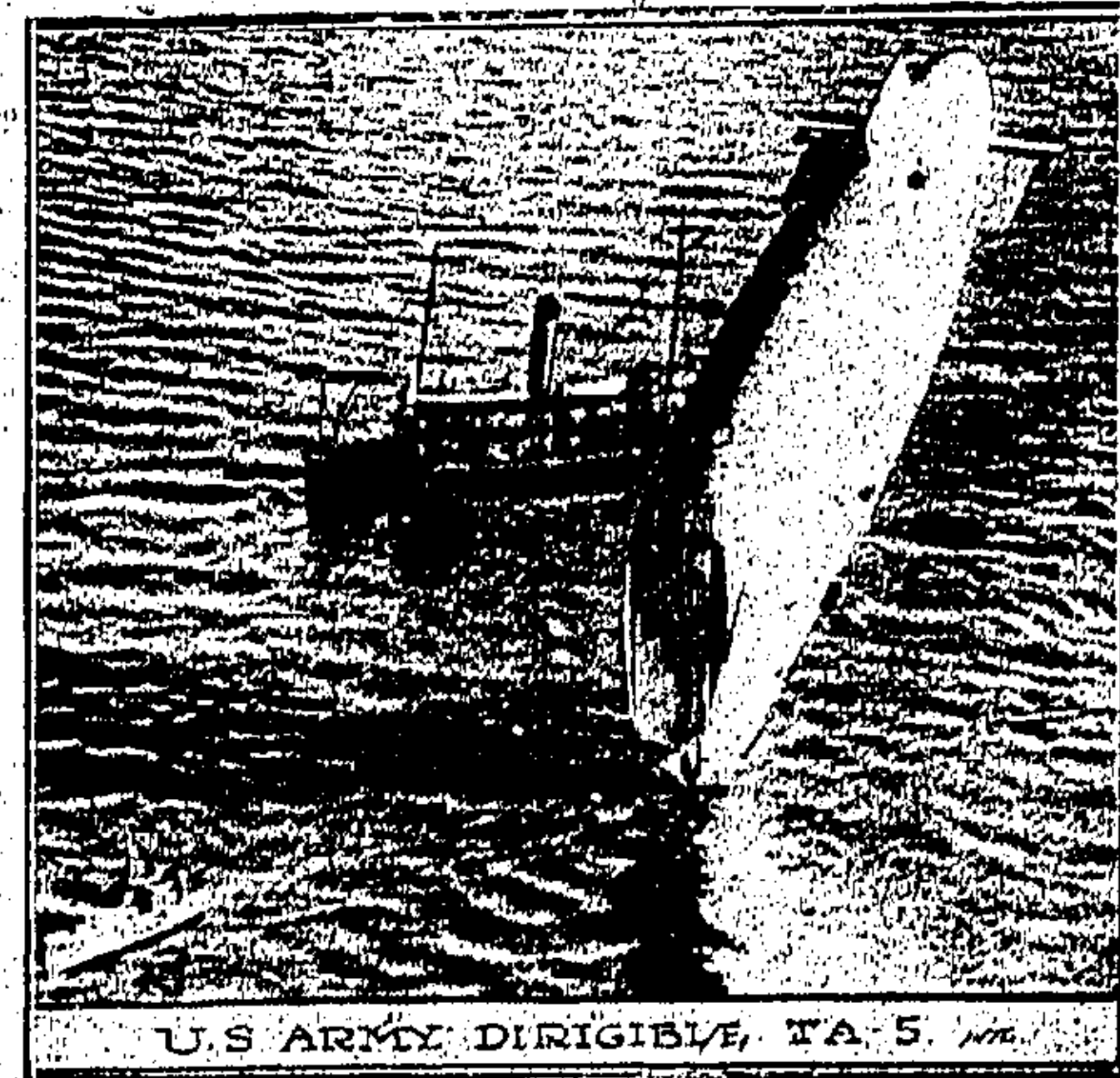
MRS. CARLOTTA BARTON

Five days less than a year after she began her honeymoon with Ralph Barton, the well-known artist, Mrs. Carlotta Barton, of New York, began an action for divorce.



PASSAIC, N.J. STRIKE RIOT WIZ.

This remarkable photograph shows mounted U.S. police as they disperse an angry mob of textile strikers with gas bombs at Passaic. Two of the tear bombs have already been exploded and the policeman in the centre of the picture has another upraised, ready to throw into the ranks of the crowd which has not yet started to disperse.



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ACCIDENTS.
INDIVIDUAL SUSCEPTIBILITY EXPLAINED?

In theory, the occurrence of accidents in a factory may either be due solely to the general conditions of work, or it may be influenced by the individual susceptibility of the workers. In practice, it cannot be doubted that the extent to which workers are clumsy or careless must vary, and it would be expected from common shop experience that the variations would be reflected in the average number of accidents per head. Doubtless the very occurrence of susceptibility differing from the mean is itself an accident, which might even itself out if sufficient material were examined; but the factors of such susceptibility are intricate and variable, and it would be hard for the most experienced tradesman to define them with sufficient precision to enable a statistician to decide when his material was sufficient in kind and quantity to justify numerical inferences. The Industrial Fatigue Research Board, who, with others, have made several attempts to throw statistical light on the subject, have now published a report by Miss E. M. Newbold, prepared under the direction of the Statistical Committee of the Medical Research Council (Report No. 34. A Contribution to the Study of the Human Factor in the Causation of Accidents. H.M. Stationery Office: 5s. net).

Simultaneously, the Board is having the matter investigated by two entirely different methods, the one based on an intensive study of persons who have, and who have not had, accidents, and the other consisting of laboratory research on the factors that influence accuracy of movement. Of these, the results are not yet available, but in the opinion of the Board, the present report includes all that is likely to be ascertained by purely statistical methods. Its effect is not much more than to give some confirmation to previous beliefs; to suggest, for instance, that a comparatively small number of workers, particularly susceptible to accidents, or prone to report them, may exercise a notable effect on the average number among a body of workers who seem to be alike in other respects; that young persons have a higher percentage of accidents than older persons; and that minor accidents and minor sicknesses seem to increase together. The positive results of the investigation are, in fact, of no great account, and a chief merit of the report, apart from the circumstantial and laborious statistical analysis by which it has been sought to elucidate the matter is that it does not attempt to attach a greater significance to its results than they can bear.—Engineering.

SINGAPORE FORESTS.
THEIR USEFULNESS DOUBTED.

Mr. G. E. S. Cubitt writes his annual report on the forests of the Colony. As regards Singapore he writes:—

There was a net loss on all the Colonial forests, chiefly owing to the expenditure on topographical surveys in Malacca.

Mr. B. H. F. Barnard was in charge till August 13, 1925, when the writer returned from leave. In order to secure closer control, and also, if possible, to effect economies, the Singapore forests were at the beginning of the year placed in charge of the Conservator of Forests, Johore, who was given the powers of a Deputy Conservator in the Colony. At the same time a reduction was made in the staff of forest guards and the payment of allowances to the bailiffs ceased, savings being utilised to give the Deputy Conservator extra clerical assistance. The arrangement was not an unqualified success. Really effective management of the Singapore forests is possible only at a cost which the forests themselves do not seem to justify. Maps of the reserves on the scale of 4 inches to a mile are now available, and it is proposed in the course of the next few months to have a careful examination made of each of the reserves with a view to deciding on a definite policy for the future. None of the reserves are of any great value, and considerable areas in them are already leased out on temporary occupation licences to vegetable gardeners. It has been suggested that the cultivation of vegetables is of greater importance to Singapore than the production of timber, and, if this is so, it may be desirable to give up at any rate part of the reserves for this form of cultivation, after removing all the existing timber. The reserves can never supply more than a small part of Singapore's demand for timber and firewood, and large regular supplies of the latter can be made available only if the Government is prepared to incur heavy initial expenditure.

Paragraphs referring to Singapore are:—

In Singapore new double quarters were built for forest guards on the Mandal Road at a cost of \$1,805, replacing old and dilapidated quarters at Selsar which were beyond repair.

In March a fire killed 15 taban merah and 20 taban percha (a variety of taban putha) in the Bukit Timah Reserve.

The Para rubber trees in the Chua Chu Kang Reserve were leased for the year for \$480, and those in the Bukit Timah Reserve for \$1,065. The receipts in both cases were credited to the Agricultural Improvement Deposit Trust.

Two permits were issued to remove firewood from an area of about 10 acres of the Bukit Timah Reserve in which young guttapercha was plentiful. This arrangement proved satisfactory, but permit holders require careful watching or they remove too much. Similar work was done on a small scale in Malacca. The eradication of apiapi at Sungai Acheh in Province Wellesley was not continued to any appreciable extent, this operation being of doubtful sylticultural value.

In Singapore no new coupes were opened. Permits to remove bakau stumps from old coupes were issued, but these were gradually reduced, permit holders being allowed to take pyreth instead. In the inland reserves a number of permits were issued for the removal of figwood. The output of poles and firewood from reserved forests is estimated to have been 178 and 6,513 tons respectively, the revenue derived being \$1,839, compared with \$1,063 in 1924.

The output from all reserves in all the Settlements was 2,779 tons of timber and 11,329 tons of fuel, and the revenue realised was \$10,578. The corresponding figures for 1924 were 1,236 tons of timber, 8,197 tons of firewood, and \$6,689 revenue.

Crown land in Singapore is estimated to have produced 16,164 tons of poles and 10,817 tons of firewood against 5,714 tons of poles and 14,740 tons of firewood in 1924. The revenue was \$6,997, compared with \$9,106 the previous year.

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The Siamese Court Circular of April 11 states:—This afternoon at the Grand Mansion the King received in audience His Excellency Monsieur Fernand Fila, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the French Republic on special mission and bestowed upon His Excellency the rank and insignia of a Knight Grand Cross of the Most Exalted Order of the White Elephant. The Minister also handed to His Majesty in the name of the President of the French Republic a piece of ancient Sevres porcelain.

His Majesty later received His Excellency the Envoy Extraordinary and Minister of Plenipotentiary of the Netherlands, who handed to His Majesty, in the name of Her Majesty the Queen of the Netherlands, the insignia and the diploma of the Grand Cross of the Order of the Netherland Lion.

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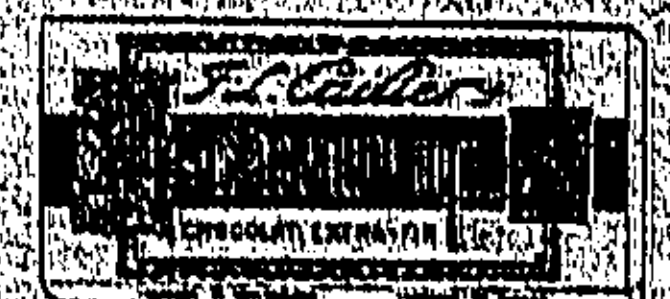
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HAROLD T. CREASY,
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Hongkong, 29th April, 1926.

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Hongkong, April 19, 1926.

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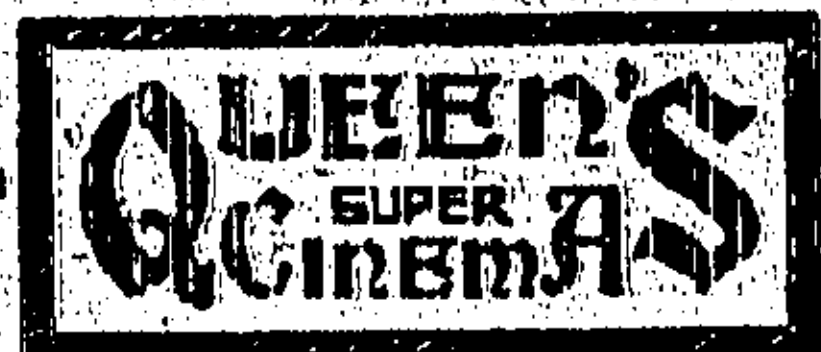
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